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Kempes strikes the killer blows

"Soccer Action's World Cup all-star eleven is:

NELINHO (Cruzeiro, Brazil)	Daniel PASSARELLA (River Plate, Argentina)	Ruud KROL (Ajax, Holland)	Alberto TARANTINI (No Contract, Argentina)
	Romeo BENETTI (Juventus, Italy)		
Herbert PROHASKA (Austria Wien, Austria)	Oswaldo ARDILES (Huracan, Argentina)	Jose DIRCEU (Vasco da Gama, Brazil)	
Hans KRANKL (Rapid Wien, Austria)	Mario KEMPES (FC Valencia, Argentina)		

Ubaldo FILLOL
(River Plate, Argentina)



● Mario Kempes

It is Mario Kempes who won the World Cup for Argentina. What a player this man is!

Holland dominated for almost the entire second half, but it had no-one with Kempes' ability to break through the middle of the defence with sheer virtuosity.

Kempes scored two of the goals and played the one-two which resulted in Daniel Bertoni getting the third.

Kempes, an expatriate of FC Valencia, was top scorer in Spain last year. With six goals, he was also top scorer in the World Cup!

This 23-year-old soccer genius was leading scorer in Argentina before he was lured to Valencia for \$528,000.

A superstitious person, Kempes started the World Cup wearing a moustache but shaved it off after failing to score in early games. He wore a leg bandage for an injury in a practice game during which he scored a hat-trick, so he continued to wear that bandage throughout the World Cup because he believed it gave him luck.

Kempes was rarely in the play during the early part of the final but the way he performed later makes me suspect that he had been trying to lure the Dutch defenders into thinking he posed no threat.

He struck like a cobra in the 38th minute. Oswaldo Ardiles battled his way through the middle — past two challenges — and slipped the ball to Leopoldo Luque. He squared it to Kempes who slid past Ruud Krol to put the ball into the net.

Holland pushed forward after half time, with Arie Haan and Johan Neeskens taking control of the midfield, but although the Dutch always had enough players forward, their probing play was so slow that it enabled Argentina to keep their defenders lined up in numbers.

Sweeper Passarella who had been a star in the first half because of his attacking runs from the back, now had to excel in his defensive duties, but he had a brilliant henchman in centre back Luis Galvan who turned on his best performances of the series.

Defensive midfielder Americo Gallego was also outstanding, and goalkeeper Ubaldo Fillol who had made two or three uncanny saves earlier, continued to be reliable.

However, Holland replaced Johnny Rep with Dick Nanninga in the 60th minute and Nanninga's height and strength began to worry the Argentine defence.

Holland equalised with eight minutes to go, when Nanninga headed the ball home with much power from Rene van der Kerkhof's cross in a move set up by Haan.

Rob Rensenbrink hit the post during injury time before



Bravo Passarella

Mario Kempes and Daniel Passarella were widely acclaimed as the best players in the tournament after Argentina had won the World Cup final 3-1 against Holland in extra time.

Kempes and Passarella are among five Argentine players in "Soccer Action's" all-star eleven chosen from among the 16 finalists.

The others are left back Alberto Tarantini, goalkeeper Ubaldo Fillol and midfielder Oswaldo Ardiles.

Our all-star 11 is an attacking one, for it is attacking flair — even out of defence — which will be remembered about Argentina '78.

Right back Nelinho of Brazil, scored a goal in the play-off for third place and his duties were as much that of a winger.

Passarella and Dutch captain Ruud Krol, our two centre backs, were playmakers and creators of openings for their respective teams, and Tarantini on the left was even more offensive than Nelinho.

The only defensive player we have included is Romeo Benetti, the midfield destroyer of Italy, whose awesome presence, strong personality and physical strength made him such a towering figure.

Benetti is chosen as the defensive man in a four-man midfield. In front of him are Herbert Prohaska, the brilliant Austrian playmaker, Ardiles of Argentina and of course the tireless Brazilian, Dirceu.

With Dirceu capable of breaking on the wings, there was need for only two strikers — and Kempes and Hans Krankl of Austria were by far the best pair in the tournament.



Daniel Passarella

Brazil unbeaten

Brazil was the only unbeaten team in the World Cup, yet managed to come only third behind Argentina and Holland.

Brazil collected 11 "points" in the league series, the same number as Argentina.

Italy, with nine "points", had more than second-placed Holland, with eight.

The final standings are:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Argentina	7	5	1	1	15	4	11
Holland	7	3	2	2	15	10	8
Brazil	7	4	3	0	10	3	11
Italy	7	4	1	2	9	6	9
Poland	6	3	1	2	6	6	7
W. Germany	6	1	4	1	10	5	6
Austria	6	3	0	3	7	10	6
Peru	6	2	1	3	7	11	5
Tunisia	3	1	1	1	3	2	3
Spain	3	1	1	1	2	3	3
Scotland	3	1	1	1	5	6	3
France	3	1	0	2	5	3	2
Sweden	3	0	1	2	1	3	1
Iran	3	0	1	2	2	8	1
Hungary	3	0	0	3	3	8	0
Mexico	3	0	0	3	2	12	0



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Nanninga adds sparkle

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the match went into extra time.

Rene Rouseman, who had earlier replaced Oscar Ortiz, heralded the start of Argentina's revival in the 103rd minute when he broke away down the right for an angled shot which was desperately blocked by the advancing goalkeeper, Jan Jongbloed.

Then Kempes struck again and his goal gave Argentina the Cup.

His run through the middle caused a terrible tangle in the Dutch defence. Jan Jongbloed stopped him the first time, but the ball came back to Kempes and with three defenders bearing down on him he still managed to score with the sole of his foot. It was the 104th minute.

The Argentines had the Dutch reeling. Now they went for blood. Houseman darted away on another break, past Portvliet, but hit the side netting. Luque, his shirt splattered with his own blood, got free on the right but Jongbloed came out to deflect the shot past the near post.

Kempes delivered the killer blow in the 117th minute. Once again he attacked the middle of the defence before playing a one-two with Bertoni who had to balance the ball on his head under pressure before bringing it down to score the third and final goal.

And so Argentina became the fifth home nation to win the Cup. Uruguay had done it in 1930, Italy in 1938, England in 1966, and West Germany in 1974.

Previously, Argentina had finished among the top four only once — back in 1930, when it was runner-up to Uruguay.

Holland, runner-up to West Germany in 1974, again had to make do with second best. Yet it could have been so different had it not been for Argentina's wonderful goalkeeper, Fillol.

After bouncing between defenders Gallego and Galvan in the 28th minute, the ball fell to Johnny Rep who would have scored against anyone else but Fillol.

And Fillol saved Argentina again when Rensenbrink slid

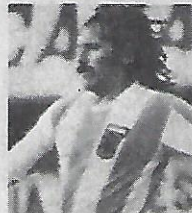
into the goal area after Neeskens had headed the ball down, and when Haan sent in a sizzling shot from a cutback by Rensenbrink.

Jongbloed also had his moments of glory — punching a header by unmarked Passarella over the bar, spreading his body in front of Luque who has been set up by Bertoni's cross, and deflecting that late attempt by Luque which could so easily have been a goal.

Referee Gonella of Italy left a lot to be desired. He fell for so many of the dives of the Argentine players, and failed to give Holland free kicks for similar offences apparently because the Dutch players didn't throw themselves onto the ground with as much enthusiasm.

Two injuries to Neeskens in the first half held up play for at least four minutes, yet he played barely one minute of injury time, while every second was so important to Holland which trailed 0-1 at the time.

Other good Argentina players apart from Kempes, Fillol, Passarella and Galvan, were little midfielder Ardiles



LEOPOLDO LUQUE



ROB RENSENBRINK (Holland)

until he had to go off injured and right back Jorge Olguin. Luque was not prominent because he was closely marked by Ernie Brandts.

Midfielder Haan was Holland's star — always willing to try something daring, always willing to shoot.

Neeskens' effort had to be admired because he played with the handicap of those heavy knocks in the first half. Rene van der Kerkhof was one of the driving forces behind Holland's second-half fight-back. Krol was prominent again and Portvliet made a lot of good runs — too many, I fear, for he seemed tired when beaten three times, late in the game.



• Cesar Menotti

Many stars will leave now: Menotti
BUENOS AIRES, Dutch manager Ernst Happel refused to attend the post-match press conference after Holland had lost 1-3 to Argentina in the World Cup final.

Argentina manager Cesar Menotti, looking happy but exhausted, said Argentina had proved that an attacking side could win the World Cup.

"We have shown that with talent, courage in attack and planning a team which knows how to attack, we can become world champions," he said.

Menotti declined to pick out any particular member of his team for special praise. "Everything has been important and every player was aware of the importance of defending the prestige of Argentine football," he said.

In answer to another question he said that in the past Argentina had won their matches by having brilliant individuals. "Today we showed that we could become world champions by being a team."

He said Holland had been careless in the way they attacked during extra-time and this had cost them the match. "It was a meeting of the two most courageous and aggressive teams and I think Argentina has won very fairly," he said, adding that Argentina had the top scorer in the finals in Mario Kempes.

Menotti declined to say the victory meant Argentina was the best team in the world but he noted that two South American teams had finished in the top three.

"This does not mean that South American soccer is better but it does mean that we are competitive," he said.

Asked to comment on a statement by Brazilian Manager Claudio Coutinho that Brazil, who finished third, were the moral champions, Menotti said: "I would like to congratulate Coutinho on his moral championship. I hope he will congratulate me for the real one Argentina has won."

Brazil were undefeated in the tournament, while Argentina lost one match to Italy.

Menotti was asked again whether he would now retire as national coach. "I said that on June 25 the cycle of Menotti would be concluded. There are many things to be considered if Menotti is to continue. Today if I were asked to stay on I would say no, as I have not got the energy to begin all over again," he replied.

Pressed to be more precise Menotti added: "Somebody once said that there were no friends among conquerors, so I would like

to be with my friends and then I would like to see if I could open a cupboard in my room without a football player falling out."

He declined to discuss the bonus the Argentine players would receive. "I am incapable of thinking of money now. We are going through a very different kind of happiness at this time which is much more important than money," he said.

He said the problem of the number of Argentine players who now move to a foreign club would create difficulties in maintaining the standard of football here.

"The problem is not that we are losing players but that we are losing teachers and something has to be done to make it possible for them to stay," he said.



Argentine midfielder Osvaldo Ardiles.



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Puny Peru pulverised

ROSARIO, — Argentina, carried along a giant wave of national emotion, answered their countrymen's prayers by sweeping aside puny Peru 6-0 and surging into the World Cup final.

Keeping faith with the thrilling attacking soccer that has made them one of the most entertaining sides in the tournament, Argentina scored two goals more than they needed to clinch their final place.

Brazil's earlier 3-1 victory over Poland had left Argentina to win by four goals to snatch the qualifying place from Group B. Under crucifying pressure from an hysterical crowd at the Rosario Central stadium, they could be excused their early nervousness.

But once mighty Mario Kempes blasted them into the lead, there was no stopping the Argentine goal machine and Peru crumbled before the onslaught.

Argentina threw everything into attack from the very first minute but their nerves and the terrible pressure of carrying the hopes of 25 million compatriots prevented them from making the most of their immediate domination of the match.

In fact, they almost conceded two goals to living Peruvians Juan Munante and Juan Obillos in the first 15 minutes on breakaways as the entire Argentine side forged into the Peruvian Half.

But once Argentina got their first goal a brilliant solo effort by Mario Kempes — Peru were no longer in the game.

Argentina piled on the pressure, settled down to playing attacking football and tore the Peruvian defence apart time and time again.

They hit the bar, they hit the post, and just when it seemed their fire was dying, they got the desperately needed second goal two minutes from half time.

A perfect corner from the right from Daniel Bertoni found defender Alberto Tarantini who headed it powerfully past Peru's Argentine-born goalkeeper Ramon Quiroga.



Leopoldo Luque dives past Peruvian goalkeeper Quiroga to head home one of Argentina's six goals.

Within seven minutes of the restart Argentina were as good as in, as first Kempes as he flung himself heading to nod a looting ball into a minute of each other.

Kempes' second goal was a superb team effort clinching a swift one-two with Luque.

Luque's goal was a typically daring effort as he flung himself heading to nod a looting ball into the empty net. Argentina then almost made the mistake of easing off, and it is perhaps for this reason that their manager Cesar Menotti brought Rene Houseman into the attack for Bertoni after 65 minutes.

The move paid off and Houseman a minute later raced through the centre to connect powerfully with a cross from Kempes to make the score 5-0.

The Peruvians by this time were merely pawns on the field to be captured by the Argentine knights and six minutes later Luque got his second goal to make it 6-0.

Omar Larrosa who was doing a good job of replacing the injured Osvaldo Ardiles, latched onto a defensive error to put in another of those long balls which Luque loves to chase and again he powered his way through to score.

Argentina's defence was once again sound and in midfield they reigned supreme, but they were never under pressure.

Kempes and Luque nevertheless proved again they are a match-winning combination. Luque by his powerful running and Kempes with his deft control and quick eye for the defence-splitting opening.

In the Peruvian capital of Lima sports commentators called for an investigation into what they called

Peru's "shameful performance".

But they all singled out Peru's Argentine-born goalkeeper Ramon Quiroga for praise, saying he was the only player to stand out and "demonstrate he was more Peruvian than all the other Peruvians in the team."

Half-time — Argentina 2 Peru 0.
Scorers: Luque 2, Kempes 2, Houseman, Tarantini.

Cautioned: Alfredo Quesada, Pedro Velasquez (Peru).

Team:
PERU: Quiroga, Duarte, Manzo, Chumpitaz, Quesada, Velasquez (Gorriti 52 mins), Cueto, Cubillas, Rojas, Munante, Obillos.
ARGENTINA: Fillol, Olguin, Galvan, Gallego (Oviedo 85), Passarella, Larrosa, Tarantini, Ortiz, Kempes, Luque, Bertoni (Houseman 65).
Referee: Robert Wurtz (France).

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'CHANGE THE SYSTEM!'

BUENOS AIRES, — Claudio Coutinho, manager of the Brazilian team which took third place in the World Cup by beating Italy 2-1, said he thought it would be better if future final tournaments reverted to the straight knock-out system.

Coutinho said: "The present system does not always reflect the full merit of teams that do not reach the final. I am not objecting as I knew the rules in advance but I am strongly suggesting that there could be a better system".

He thought that the knock-out system would be better. The last two World Cups have been decided on a league basis, with the last eight teams in two groups and with the winners meeting in the final.

The knock-out system was used in 1966 and 1970 with the last eight teams playing sudden death matches with quarter-finals and semi-finals preceding the final.

Coutinho said he was pleased with the result of the match against Italy and said Brazil deserved third place.

Coutinho announced that his work with the Brazilian football

squad was now over.

"A year ago, I was invited by the Brazilian Sports Federation to take charge of the team for the World Cup. My work is finished today. I am very happy and very honoured to have been given the job. I realise I have limitations but I am very pleased with the way my players performed and with the result they received," he said.

When asked if he thought Brazil should really be in the final, Coutinho replied cautiously: "I am only pointing out that we are under-rated and not saying who deserves to be in the final".

As he left the Press conference room Italian manager Enzo Bearzot warmly embraced Coutinho and kissed him on both cheeks.

Bearzot blamed the two second half unexpected goals from Brazil for Italy's defeat.

"Nehin's first kick was very vicious, very difficult and had a terrible special effect that completely fooled Zoff. The second was also vicious and came through a forest of legs that prevented Zoff

from seeing the ball until it was too late," he said.

He added that Italy had played the best football of the championship and said that Italy's 2-1 victory over France was the best game of the tournament. He also said Italy's 0-0 draw against West Germany was particularly satisfying as Italy had managed to contain the opponents they feared most and dominated throughout.

Italy were forced by injuries and the suspension of two players to make major changes in their team for the match against Brazil.

Manager Bearzot had to bring in three new players to replace suspended Romeo Benetti and Marco Tardelli and also had to replace Renato Zaccarelli, injured in Italy's last match against Holland.

Bearzot was forced to use untried Patrizio Sala and Aldo Maldera as well as bringing back below-form midfielder Giancarlo Antognoni.

Brazil made two changes from the team which beat Poland 3-1 in their previous match. Coutinho brought in Rodrigues Neto to replace defender Teninho and Jorge Mendonça instead of Zico in the forward line. Both Teninho and Zico were injured in the Poland match.

"The Italians went straight into the attack after the whistle and for the first few minutes looked the more fluent team.

But as the game progressed their weaknesses in midfield

became apparent and the Brazilians appeared to hold an initiative mounting several dangerous attacks.

Italy were unlucky not to score in the opening moments of the match.

The brilliant Franco Causio started a move down the right from which the Italians won a free kick just outside the Brazilian penalty box.

Antognoni, whose kicking skill the Italians have missed in matches where he has been dropped, forced Brazilian goalkeeper Logo to dive to save.

A few seconds later Antognoni had another long range try from 25 metres, hitting the crossbar.

In the 38th minute Rossi raced down the right and sent across a perfect centre for Causio who made no mistake with a simple header to put Italy one ahead.

In the last few minutes the Italians, emboldened by their goal, roared into attack again and again and were unlucky not to score twice more.

In the first part of the second half the Brazilians tried desperately to raise the game and get the equaliser.

Italy's most effective defender, the tough Claudio Gentile, stuck to Brazilian gangsterman "Dynamite" Roberto like a leech, refusing to give him space.

But the Brazilians continued their onslaught.

In the 63rd minute the Brazilian pressure paid off when Nelinho

scored with one of the marvellous swerving shots for which he is famous.

The Brazilians came alive and it looked as if the Italians might make the same mistake as they did against Holland when they went ahead in the first half, then lost their rhythm and allowed the Dutch to beat them 2-1.

The Brazilians went ahead in the 70th minute after the Italian defender gave Direcu far too much space and time to make another long range goal.

Roberto Rivellino, brought on a few minutes earlier, sent the ball through to George Mendonça. He chested it down for Direcu who carefully judged the bouncing ball, while Italian defenders appeared to stand and stare, and then hammered it in from 25 metres.

Italy led 1-0 at half time.

Scorers: Italy — Franco Causio (38 minutes), Brazil Nelinho (63), Direcu (70).

Teams: ITALY: Dino Zoff, Antonello Guc-ciarulli, Claudio Gentile, Gaspare Scirea, Antonio Cabrini, Patrizio Sala, Giancarlo Antognoni, Aldo Maldera, Franco Causio, Paolo Rossi, Roberto Bettoga. Substitutes: Paolo Conti, Lionello Manfredonia, Eraldo Pecci, Claudio Sala, Francesco Graziani.

BRAZIL: Leao, Rodrigues Neto, Oscar, Amaral, Nelinho, Balista, Direcu, Gilberto, Jorge Mendonça. Substitutes: Carlos Abel, Rivellino, Chicão, Reinaldo, Referee: Abraham Klein (Israel).

Krankl's goals end reign of Germany

CORDOBA, — West Germany were finally deposed as World champions after four years at the top when they were humiliated 3-2 by neighbors Austria here.

The mediocre West Germans had never looked championship material at any stage of the tournament but it was doubly devastating when dynamic Austrian striker Hans Krankl inflicted their first defeat here by driving home an 88th minute winning goal.

It was Krankl's second of the match and was a bitter blow to a West German team which had at least looked set to fight for third place.

Now the Germans go home empty-handed, smarting in the knowledge that when the chips were down they failed to deliver. They must also live with the fact that they slid out of the World Cup by allowing unfancied Austria to beat them for the first time for 47 years.

Their downfall was ill received by the thousands of West German fans who came to Argentina to pay tribute and finished by sending their former heroes off the pitch with bores ringing in their ears.

The neat Austrian team had never looked remotely like going down by the five-goal margin which in theory might have allowed the West Germans to qualify for the final, had Italy and Holland drawn in Buenos Aires.

After an inspired first half in which the Germans took an undeserved 18th minute lead through their outstanding Karl Heinz Rummenigge, three quick goals added drama and passion to the game.

Austria drew level after 59 minutes when Wilhelm Kreuz harassed Bertl Vogt into pushing it centre into his own goal and six minutes later the Austrians went ahead when Krankl scored from an Eduard Krieger cross.

But two minutes after in what had become a see-saw game, Bernd Hoenleisen headed the Germans back on equal terms and it seemed that at least West Germany were going to finish with a respectable point.

But with only two minutes to go Austria made it more than just a moral victory when Krankl, far out on the left touch-line, seized a



Hans Krankl — two goals

loose ball, shrugged off a tackle and clipped his shot past goalkeeper Sepp Maier from close range.

The Austrian triumph was based on a skilled and sometimes ruthless midfield in which Prohaska was outstanding. But no one could deny Krankl his moment of delight when, having struck the winner, he raced across to trainer Helmut Senekowitsch with his arms raised in triumph.

Vogts and his team mates could only stand disconsolately with their hands on their hips, painfully aware they were out of the spotlight for at least four years.

Half time: West Germany 1 Austria 0.

Scorers: West Germany: Rummenigge, Hoenleisen, Austria: Vogt own goal, Krankl 2.

Teams: WEST GERMANY: Maier, Vogt, Dietz, Rusaansman, Kaltz, Bonhof, Abramczik, Rummenigge, Beer (Hans Mueller at half time), Hoenleisen, Dieter Mueller (Fischer 60).

AUSTRIA: Koncilia, Sara, Obermayer, Pezzey, Hickersberger, Prohaska, Krankl, Kreuz, Krieger, Schachner (Oberacher 70), Strasser.

Referee: Abraham Klein (Israel).

Table compiled from all games in the World Cup final series since 1930.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brazil	52	33	10	9	119	56	76:29
W. Germany	47	28	9	10	68	65	29
Italy	36	20	6	10	62	40	46:26
Uruguay	29	14	5	10	57	39	35:25
Argentina	29	14	5	10	54	45	35:25
Hungary	26	13	2	11	73	42	28:24
Sweden	28	11	6	11	48	46	28:26
England	24	10	6	8	34	29	26:22
Yugoslavia	25	10	5	10	45	34	25:25
USSR	19	10	3	6	30	21	23:15
Poland	14	9	1	4	27	17	18:9
Holland	16	8	3	5	32	19	18:13
Austria	18	9	1	8	33	36	19:17
Czechoslovakia	22	8	3	11	32	36	19:25
Chile	18	7	3	8	23	24	17:19
Spain	18	7	3	8	22	25	17:19
France	20	8	1	11	43	38	17:23
Switzerland	18	5	2	11	28	44	12:24
Portugal	6	5	0	1	17	8	10:2
Mexico	24	3	4	17	21	62	16:38
Paraguay	12	4	1	7	17	24	9:15
Scotland	11	2	4	5	12	21	6:14
E. Germany	6	2	2	2	5	6	6:6
Paraguay	7	2	2	3	12	19	6:8
U.S.A.	7	3	0	4	12	21	6:8
Wales	5	1	3	1	4	4	5:5
Romania	8	2	1	5	12	17	5:11
Bulgaria	12	0	4	8	9	29	4:20
Tunisia	3	1	1	1	3	2	3:3
Cuba	3	1	1	1	5	12	3:3
North Korea	4	1	1	2	5	9	3:5
North Ireland	4	1	1	2	4	9	3:5
Belgium	9	1	1	7	12	35	3:15
Turkey	3	1	0	2	10	11	2:4
Israel	3	1	0	2	1	3	2:4
Morocco	3	0	1	2	2	6	1:5
Colombia	3	0	1	2	5	11	1:5
Iran	3	0	1	2	2	8	1:5
Australia	3	0	1	2	0	8	1:5
Egypt	1	0	1	0	2	4	0:2
Norway	1	0	1	0	1	2	0:2
Dutch E. Indies	0	0	1	0	6	2	0:2
Sth Korea	2	0	0	2	0	16	0:4
El Salvador	3	0	0	3	0	9	0:6
Haiti	3	0	0	3	2	14	0:6
Zaire	3	0	0	3	0	14	0:6
Bolivia	3	0	0	3	0	16	0:6

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BLACK DAY FOR ITALIAN SOCCER

June 21, 1978 will be remembered as the darkest day of Italian football.

Going into the deciding game against Holland, Italy was undefeated in its previous five games with a goal tally of 7:2.

Roberto Bettega, Paolo Rossi and Franco Causio were being hailed as among the greatest forwards of the series, Marco Tardelli and Romeo Benetti among the greatest midfielders and Gaetano Scirea as one of the best sweepers.

Italy faced the more difficult task, as it had to win this match while Holland only had to draw, but the Italians' form, with the exception of the disappointing 1-0 win against Austria, had been good enough.

I can picture the jubilation of the many Italians in Australia when their team started brilliantly, leaving great holes on the right edge of the Dutch defence, and finally going into the lead before half time.

I can also imagine the utter dejection of these fans as they watched on television as Italy collapsed completely and was finally beaten 2-1 by the superior Dutch.

Italians everywhere are still asking themselves how it possibly could have happened — now their team allowed itself to be deprived of a place in the final after holding all the aces.

The reasons, as I saw them, were:

- Italy made a grave mistake in believing it could concentrate more on defending its one-goal lead than on continuing to push men forward;

- The Italian attack was drastically weakened by the replacement of Franco Causio by Claudio Sala at half time — a replacement which, to me, remains a mystery;

- The work-rate and fighting spirit of Romeo Benetti diminished after he had been shown the yellow card and been hurt by an accidental kick from Johnny Rep;

- Bettiga faded right out of the game after half time, leaving Rossi an impossible task, especially since he was marked so well by Wim Jansen;

- Italy had been lulled into a false sense of security by Holland's defensive stance in the first half — a stance typified by Johan Neeskens' role as Rossi's shadow in defence;

- The Italians became confused by the mesmerising positional switches of the Dutch players — all of whom seemed to be everywhere at all times;

- And finally and most important, the Italians made no attempt to stop Ruud Krol from constructing Holland's game from the rear. Krol was, without a doubt, the outstanding man of this match, although he did make a few errors while under pressure in defence early on.

From ZIKA NIKOLIC
in Buenos Aires

HOLLAND 2 (Brandts 51st, Haan 76th). ITALY 1 (Brandts own goal 21st).

Ratings by Zika Nikolic.

HOLLAND: Schrijvers (Injured, sub Jongbloed 8, 22nd min); Voortvliet 7, Krol 10, Jansen 9, Brandts 9; R. van der Kerkhof 8, Neeskens 8, W. van der Kerkhof 7; Rep 7 (van Kraay 65th), Haan 8, Rensenbrink 8.

ITALY: Zoff 7; Cuccureddu 7, Gentile 7, Scirea 9, Cabrinli 8; Tardelli 9, Benetti 7 (Graziani 77th), Zaccarelli 6; Causio 7 (C. Sala 6 half time), Rossi 7, Bettiga 6.

Referee: Martinez (Spain).

To compound the Italian debacle, Tardelli and Benetti were ruled out for the next match — the play-off for third place — because they were shown their second yellow cards.

One of the reasons for Holland's improvement in the second half was that Neeskens was pushed forward into an attacking midfield role, leaving Jansen to cover Rossi.

Rob Rensenbrink also became more lively, as did the van der Kerkhof brothers and Arle Haan.

Special praise must go to Ernie Brandts, the incredibly mobile defender of PSV Eindhoven, who got into the team only because of an injury to Wim Rijkse.

Brandts, who had scored in Holland's 5-1 victory over Austria, was everywhere in attack and atoned for his own goal in the first half by putting Holland back into the match with a long-range goal that pointed his team towards the final.

Both of Holland's goals were spectacular long-range efforts, the second coming from Haan, who hit a powerful, swerving drive from almost 30 metres.

This victory was one of the most memorable of the Cup series — as Holland had to contend not only with a one-goal deficit, but also with the loss of goalkeeper Piet Schrijvers who was injured in a collision with Brandts as the latter scored that own goal.

Jan Jongbloed came on as substitute and showed that at 37, his international days are by no means over.

Let's have a look at how the game went.

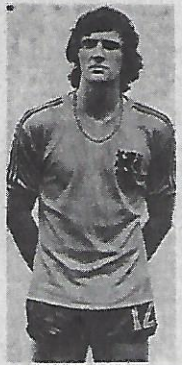
Italy left back Antonio Cabrinli had some early, testing runs which established that Holland was weak on the right edge of its defence.

This weakness was therefore exploited by Italy for the rest of the half.

Neeskens was the culprit who gave Italy its first scoring chance, allowing himself to be robbed of the ball by Causio, who dashed goalwards. However, Schrijvers pounced on the ball before a shot could be launched.

Seconds later Rensenbrink was beaten in defence but Antonello Cuccureddu fired his shot over the bar.

Italy looked a winning team but Bettiga pushed the ball wide to Benetti running through Holland's weak flank but instead of taking a shot which could have scored, Benetti pushed the ball square



Dutch captain Ruud Krol

across goal for Causio, who couldn't get to it in time.

Italy's goal came in the 21st minute.

Bettiga played a one-two with Rossi to break through the middle and face Schrijvers running out.

Before Bettiga could shoot, Brandts dashed in from behind and stuck his foot at the ball, hoping to push it over for a corner.

Instead, it went past Schrijvers, into the net, and Schrijvers hurt himself as he collided with Brandts.

Krol, trying to stop another Italian attack, could only head the ball straight up into the air, to the delight of Rossi who shielded it well as it came down again, but his shot was finger-tipped past the post by replacement goalkeeper Jongbloed.

Jongbloed was reliable again as he saved a 20-metre shot by Benetti, but after about 30 minutes Holland started to push up — a sign of better things to come.

A good pass by Johnny Rep put Rensenbrink through the middle but Rensenbrink was marginally offside and, anyway, Dino Zoff deflected the shot past the post.

The first yellow card came out of

Spanish referee Martinez's pocket and was flashed at Rep who had fouled Benetti. Rep had been asking for it, as he had continually disputed Martinez's decisions.

A few minutes later Benetti was shown the card for a foul on Rensenbrink.

Looking back over the first half, Tardelli was the outstanding player in midfield, Scirea was excellent as sweeper, Benetti performed well and Bettiga was dynamite in attack, especially when combining with Rossi.

However, of these, only Scirea and Tardelli continued to play well after half time.

Neeskens' switch to an attacking role almost yielded a goal just after half time, when he went up for a header, only to see Zoff tap the ball over the bar.

But it took Holland only six minutes to equalise.

Brandts picked up a short defensive clearance from Claudio Gentile and despite an attempted trip from behind, unleashed a searing 25-metre drive into the top of the net.

A minute later, Haan was shown the yellow card for a foul on Tardelli.

In one of Italy's few remaining attacks, Rossi dashed away in a break but Jansen, who had a memorable second half, brought him down with a timely tackle.

After a forward header by Bettiga, Rossi slammed the ball into the net, but the move was offside and Rossi knew it, judging from the smile on his face.

Then came another yellow card — this time for Cabrinli for a foul on Haan.

In the 65th minute, Dutch coach Ernst Happel replaced Rep with Adrie van Kraay, obviously to strengthen the defence — as Holland only had to hold onto that scoreline.

Tardelli was shown the yellow card for a foul on right back Jan Poortvliet, just before Holland landed its killer punch in the 76th minute.

The goal was Haan's — a fierce long-range drive that swerved away from Zoff and bounced into the net off the far post.

With 13 minutes to go, Italian coach Enzo Bearzot brought on striker Francesco Graziani for Benetti, a move which, perhaps, he should have made much earlier.

But it was much too late, and even with Graziani on the field, Italy never looked like sustaining its few attacks. Rather, the Italians were busy enough just trying to keep Holland from adding to its lead.

For example, Neeskens broke through on the right wing and went to the dead-ball line before cutting it

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back to Rensenbrink in a dangerous situation, but Rensenbrink failed to connect properly and sent a weak shot into the arms of Zoff.

Then Rensenbrink struck again with a good header on the run, but again Zoff saved, as the news filtered through that Hans Krankl had scored in the other match, to give Austria a 3-2 victory over West Germany.

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Roberto makes up for loss of Zico

MENDOZA — Brazil shrugged off the severe setback of losing Zico through injury after only five minutes, to beat Poland 3-1.

Claudio Coutinho, Brazil's manager had recalled striker Zico and also had gilded midfield star Cerezo back after injury in place of Chicão.

Fullback Rodrigues Neto, injured against Argentina, failed a fitness test and Coutinho brought in Nelinho.

Jack Gmoch, Poland's manager, made one change from the side that beat Peru 1-0 Preferring Kasperczak to Maziatel.

Giant goalkeeper Jan Tomaszewski, who had a slight hand injury earlier in the week, was again left out by Gmoch in favour of the less experienced Kukla.

Drum beats echoed round the stadium as Brazil recaptured some of their flair and brilliance in an emotion-packed match.

Coutinho leaped to his feet with joy at the final whistle and hugged striker Roberto whose two second-half goals had swept the Brazilians to victory after they had seemed on the point of losing to Poland.

Brazil grabbed the lead in the 12th minute with a stinging free kick from full-back Nelinho.

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Jorge Mendonça, who came on in the seventh minute for the injured Zico, let fly with a tremendous shot and the ball rebounded to Roberto who popped it into the net.

Five minutes later, with the Brazilian supporters going wild, shots sprayed in from all angles against bemused Polish goalkeeper Zygmunt Kukla, the ball crashing against the woodwork before Roberto applied the finishing touch.

But the match was far from over and Poland, stunned by Brazil's two goals out of the blue, forced their way back strongly and both Lato and Andrzej Szarmach were within a whisker of pulling a goal back.

Ten minutes from the end goalkeeper Leo was the hero of Brazil when he plucked to his right to tip away a fierce shot from Wojciech Lubanski who had come on in place of midfielder Henryk Kasperczak.

But Brazil would have liked more goals, and Coutinho said the early loss of Zico was "a terrible blow. It really upset our play in the first half."

Polish manager Gmoch said Brazil had played with the nerve and "style" worthy of world champions.

Brazil were always dangerous on the breaks with Cerezo sending a stream of long balls along the right wing to Gil.

Poland's direct attack at the Brazilian defence often caused

panic and in the 27th minute Poland claimed a penalty when Nawalka was brought down. But the Chilean referee waved play on much to the annoyance of the Poles.

There was plenty of drama in the opening minutes. Batista chopped down Nawalka and in the second minute Zic, breaking clear on the left, fell to the ground injured following a tackle by Maculewicz.

Zico was carried off and although he managed to get to his feet on the touching five minutes later he was still hobbling and Coutinho took him off and replaced him with Mendonça.

The Brazilians were clearly rattled and in the 50th minute Mendonça was booked for arguing. Three minutes later in the 53rd minute Cerezo was also shown the yellow card when he hacked down Szarmach.

In the 55th minute Boniek had the ball in the net after Lato had streaked up the right wing and released the ball to Boniek but he was fractionally offside.

Half-time score was one-one. Scorers: Brazil: Nelinho (12 minutes), Roberto (57 and 62), Poland: Grzegorz Lato (44).

Teams: POLAND: Kukla, Maculewicz, Gorgon, Zmuda, Nawalka, Kasperczak, Lubanski (64 mins), Deyna, Boniek, Szymanski, Lato, Szarmach.

BRAZIL: Leo, Toninho, Oscar, Amaral, Cerezo, Rivelino (77), Zico (Jorge Mendonça five mins), Dirceu, Nelinho, Batista, Gil, Roberto.

Referee: Juan Silvanço (Chile).

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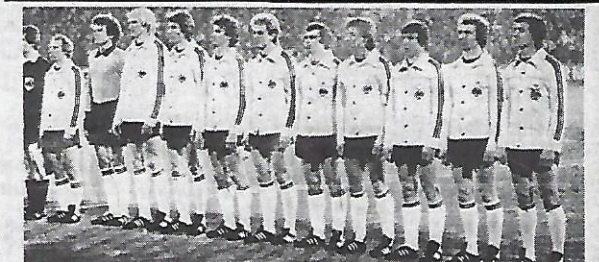
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	W	D	L	F	A	P.		W	D	L	F	A	P.
Holland	2	1	0	9	4	5	Argentina	2	1	0	8	0	5
Italy	1	1	1	2	2	3	Brazil	2	1	0	6	1	5
West Germany	0	2	1	4	5	2	Poland	2	2	2	2	2	2
Austria	1	0	2	4	8	2	Peru	0	0	3	0	10	0
Group A results:							Group B results:						
ITALY 0 WEST GERMANY 0							BRAZIL 3 (Dirceu 2, Zico pen.) PERU 0.						
HOLLAND 5 (Rep 2, Rensenbrink pen., Brandts, W. van der Kerkhof) AUSTRIA 1 (Obermeyer).							ARGENTINA 2 (Kempes 2) POLAND 0.						
ITALY 1 (Rosi) AUSTRIA 1 (Obermeyer).							POLAND 1 (Szarmach) PERU 0.						
HOLLAND 2 (Haan, R. van der Kerkhof) WEST GERMANY 2 (Abramczik, D. Mueller).							BRAZIL 0 ARGENTINA 0.						
HOLLAND 2 (Brandts, Haan) ITALY 1 (Brandts own goal)							BRAZIL 3 (Roberto 2, Nelinho) POLAND 1 (Lato).						
							ARGENTINA 5 (Kempes 2, Lugue 2, Tarantini, Houseman) PERU 0.						



WEST GERMANY, beaten World Champions — from left: Vogts, Maier, Ruessmann, Kaltz, Bonhof, Rummenigge, Dietz, Abramczik, Fischer, Hoenenbein, Flohe.



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WESTERN SUBURBS 2 (Eaton, Turnbull) ALEX-
ANDER 3 (Campbell, Boziskas, Buljevic) at
Wentworth Park. Crowd 2458.

Ratings by Alex Vesic.
WESTERN SUBURBS: Woodhouse 7, Skellern 6,
Wilson 6, Turnbull 8, Rowden 6, O'Donnell 7,
Harding 7, Stone 7, Fisher 5, Eaton 6, Scott 6.
ALEXANDER: Blasby 8, McMillan 8, Provan 7,
O'Reilly 7, Tansey 7, Bannion 7 (Seleminid 78'),
Taylor 7, Campbell 8 (Micevski 78'), Boziskas 8, Cole
7, Buljevic 10.

FOOTSCRAY JUST 2 (Rujovic, Lujic) HAKOAH 1
(Trenter) at Wentworth Park, Sydney.
Crowd: 2458 (double-header).

Ratings by Peter Scott:
JUST: Boland 7, Hazaboni 7, Kazi 6, Kriaris 6,
Kondarios 7, Rujovic 7, Lujic 8, Iloski 7, Picloane 7,
Vasic 6 (Palinkas half time, 6), Ristovski 7.
HAKOAH: Clarke 7, Mullen 6, Thomson 6, O'Con-
nor 7, Mowbray 6, Steenson 5, Watson 6, Barnes 5,
Campbell 6 (Smith 63rd min.), Trenter 6, Silva 6.

CANBERRA 1 (Byrne) SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3
(Pirie 2, D. Allan) at Bruce Stadium. Crowd 4300.

Ratings by Peter Windsor:
CANBERRA: Tilsed 6, Henderson 8, Davies 7,
Brown 7, Parker 7, Cant 6, Sifark 7, Marinello 8,
Byrne 7, Stoddart 7, Gruicic 7.
OLYMPIC: Meier 7, McIntosh 8, Wilson 7, Bell
7, Stravopodis 7, Jamieson 8, Croes 8, D. Allan 8,
Leing 7, Pirie 8, Ainalie 7.

BRISBANE CITY 0 MARCONI 3 (Ollerton, Vieri,
Sharne) at Perry Park. Crowd 3,550.

Ratings by Bruce Waddell:
CITY: Wishart 7, Iozzelli 6, Tokesi 6, Perry 8, Kib-
bey 6, Echeverria 6, Pimblett 6, Gaffney 6, Caldwell
6, Marley 6, Johnston 5.

MARCONI: Maher 6, Brogan 6, Russell 7, Prskalo
8, Degney 8, Rooney 8, Vieri 9, Byrne 7, Sharne 9,
Ollerton 7, Mariani 6.

WEST ADELAIDE-HELLAS 1 (Bozanic) NEW-
CASTLE 0. At Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd 4,400.

Ratings by Memo Toutsidis:
HELLAS: Crook 7, Tymczyaszyn 7, Reynolds 7,
McGachey 9, Kampas 9, Jones 8, Boyle 8, Norris 6,

Honeyman 7, McGregor 7, Bozanic 7.
NEWCASTLE: Dando 7, Willis 7, Endacott 7,
Tredinnick, Mason 8, Summerscales 7, Drinkwater
6, Mountford 7, Boden 8, Amey 7, Galpin 7, Curran
7.

ST GEORGE 2 (O'Connor, Hensman) ADELAIDE
JUVENTUS 1 (Northcote) at Barton Park. Crowd
2452.

Player ratings by John Taylor.
ST GEORGE: Clemence 9, M. O'Shea 5 (P. Terry
5-45th), B. Grosse 7, D. Utjesenovic 7, G. Harris 7,
R. Coates 6 (Hensman 5-53), Tonanez 6, Kay 8, J.
O'Shea 7, Morgan 6, O'Connor 8.
JUVENTUS: Marshall 7, B. Nyskohus 7, Yung 6
(Marwe 83), Lister 7, Besir 7, Perin 8, Marocchi
(Muniz 6-24th), Northcote 8, Muir 7, Deans 6, J.
Nyskohus 8.

STH MELB. HELLAS 2 (Christopoulos,
Campbell) BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Fairbrother) at
Middle Park. Crowd about 5000.

Ratings by Laurie Schwab:
HELLAS: Reilly 7, Pye 8, Baxter 8, Kalafatis 8,
Hagegmanouli 8, Lutton 7, Wright 8, Christopoulos
7, Cummings 8, Rogers 7, Campbell 8.
LIONS: Lowndes 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 7, Hermiston
6, Potter 9, Niven 6, Neale 6, Hughes 7, Amos 7
(Ogden 5, 58th); Ontong 6, Fairbrother 7.

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7.9 Perry (Brisb. C).
7.8 Vieri (Marc), Boland (JUST).
7.7 Kampas (WA-HELLAS).
7.6 Sharne (Marc), Boden (Newc.).
7.5 Hermiston (Lions), Rooney (Marc.), B.
Nyskohus (Adel. Juve.), Lutton (SM-Hellas),
McGachey (WA-HELLAS).
7.4 Henderson (Can.), Lujic (JUST), Prskalo
(Marc.), Degney (Marc.), Northcote (Adel. Juve.),
O'Connor (St. Geo.), Boyle (WA-HELLAS).
7.3 Buljevic (Alex.), Lowndes (Lions), Stark
(Can.), Summerscales (Newc.), Mullen (Hak.),
Marshall (Adel. Juve.).

STANDINGS

Games

	HOME					AWAY				
	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A
Marconi	7	1	26	11		4	3	13	5	39:18
W. Adel. Hellas	5	0	3	14	10	6	2	1	3	8
St. H. Hellas	4	3	2	14	10	3	4	1	10	7
Hellas-East	3	2	3	16	7	4	3	2	19	12
Fitz. Alexander	3	3	2	11	8	4	2	14	16	25:24
Brisbane Lions	2	5	1	10	9	3	3	14	15	24:24
Adel. Juventus	4	2	3	14	11	2	2	4	14	23:25
Fairway JUST	1	2	5	6	11	4	4	1	9	8
West. Suburbs	3	4	2	16	14	2	1	5	13	19
Brisbane City	4	1	4	10	12	2	1	5	11	16
Sydney Olympic	1	2	6	9	14	3	3	2	11	13
Newcastle KB	1	4	3	12	15	2	3	4	10	15
St. George	4	0	4	11	11	1	2	6	7	11
Canberra	0	8	1	12	14	1	2	5	6	14

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IN NEWCASTLE
Newcastle KB v.
Canberra, Sports Centre,
Saturday 2.30 pm.

IN SYDNEY
Hakoah-East v.
Brisbane City, Wentworth
Park, Sunday 3 pm.
St. George v. Olympic,
Barton Park, Sunday, 3
pm.

IN ADELAIDE
Adel. Juventus v. Mar-
coni, Olympic Field, 3
day, 3 pm.

IN BRISBANE
Brisbane Lions v. W.
Adel. Hellas, Perry Park,
Sunday 2.30 pm.

Philips League team of week

In brackets: No. of appearances in this team —

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McMILLAN (1) (Alexander)	KAMPAS (5) (WA-Hellas)	VIERI (7) (Marconi)	JAMIESON (1) (Olympic)	SHARNE (7) (Marconi)	
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Philips Cup final live

The 1978 Philips Cup final will be televised live by the 0-10 network. The final will be played at Middle Park, Melbourne, on Sunday, October 8.

The draw to establish the home team of the second round will be made at Melbourne's Hilton Hotel next Monday between 6pm and 8pm.

The draw will be included in that week's Philips Top Soccer show on the 0-10 network. The second round games, to be completed during the month of July, are:

- Brisbane Lions v Brisbane City, Sydney Olympic v Hakoah-Easts, St George v Western Suburbs, Sydney Croatia v Newcastle KB, Canberra City v George Cross, Fitzroy Alexander v South Melbourne Hellas Esendon, Croatia v Beograd, West Adelaide Hellas v Adelaide Juventus.

Some officials, including PSL chairman Sam Papasavas, had called for an open draw for the first round, but the league decided on regional pairings to cut down costs.

All first round scores: Brisbane 7, Annerley 0, St George Souths 0, Brisbane City 1, Syd Olympic 2, Auburn 0, 5th Side Eagles 1, Hakoah-Easts 2, St George Budapest 2, APIA 1, West Suburbs 2, Sutherland 0, Marconi 0, Sydney Croatia 0 — Croatia won on penalties 4-3, Weston Bears 1, Newcastle KB 0, 2, Canberra City 4, W. Wooden Juventus 0, George Cross 1, Juventus (Vic) 0, Slavia 3, Alexander 6, 5th Melb. Hellas 2, J.U.S.T. 1, White Eagles (Tas) 0, Essendon Croatia 2, Beograd 2, Azzurri (SA) 1, Ascot (WA) 1, West Adelaide Hellas 4, Adel Juventus 5, Noarlunga 0.

Ampol Cup changes

The SA Ampol Cup night soccer series will have a new format next summer. With Philips League clubs West Adelaide and Adelaide City in the competition, it will be split into two groups.

The six top teams in the Rothmans League will qualify as in previous years, and be split into the group which will have the PSL clubs seeded, so as not to meet until the finals — presuming they qualify.

The PSL pair will use the series to warm up for the national competition which will feature relegation for the first time.

The Friday night format will remain.

Constitution may be tightened

By LAURIE SCHWAB

It appears the Australian Soccer Federation will have to amend its constitution to give the new national coach greater control over representative players.

The ASF fined Marconi \$2000 and suspended Peter Sharne and Paul Degney for four games because Marconi failed to comply with an ASF order that the two players forego their league game so they would be fresh for Australia's clash with Greece the next day.

But Marconi went to court and was successful in having the fine and the players' suspension lifted.

The ASF did not dispute Marconi's action, apparently because no parts of the ASF constitution supported the fine or the suspensions.

The constitution says only that clubs must make their players available to the national team.

Marconi argued that it had not refused to make Sharne and Degney available for the game against Greece.

That being the case, the ASF will have to include new regulations in its constitution if it is to avoid future problems.

Such regulations will have to make it mandatory for clubs to rest representative players when asked to.

The regulations should also require clubs to release representative players for any training sessions called by the new national coach.

The night before it went to the Equity Court, Marconi played its Philips Cup match against Sydney Croatia without Sharne and Degney and lost 3-4 on penalties after the score had been level at 0-0 after extra time.

Marconi coach Rale Rasic said afterwards that Marconi's exit from the Cup had cost the club between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in gate receipts.

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Watson stops two penalties

PHILIPS CUP: SYDNEY CROATIA 0 MARCONI 0. Croatia won on penalties 4-3 at Marconi. Crowd: 4175.

Player Ratings by John Taylor: Croatia: Watson 9, R. Russell 9, Gajagi 8, Mullen 7, Smith 7, J. Russell 9, Coleman 7, Savor 7, Abonyi 7, Kovacic 7, Sullivan 7 (Leyden 5).

Marconi: Maher 8, Bogan 7, Barry 6, Russell 7, Prskalo 7, Richards 9, Rooney 9, Vieri 7, Byrne 7, Mariani 7, Williams 5 (Selvage 5 - 45th).

"Vieri will stick it to your left" Croatia player-coach Attila Abonyi told his young goalkeeper Steve Watson before the Philips Cup match against Marconi was to be decided on penalty kicks.

Watson followed his coach's instructions and smothered Roberto Vieri's shot and Croatia were ahead 2-1 in the penalty count after Peter Mullen and Abonyi were successful for Croatia and

Gary Byrne had put away his shot for Marconi.

Bruno Cagali (Croatia) and Bertie Mariani (Marconi) were then successful and it was 3-2 in Croatia's favor.

But then Croatia's John Russell shot wide and Stuart Selvage made no mistake to even the score at 3-3.

Kevin Coleman made good with his shot and Croatia were ahead 4-3 when Ray Richards lined up the ball. Watson dived the right way to block Richards' shot and so after 130 minutes Croatia had emerged as giant-killers.

Croatia, the NSW State League glamour team were given little hope of tossing the PSL leaders despite the fact that Marconi were without Peter Sharne, Paul Degney and Mark Janovic.

Ironically, Marconi lost last year's Cup final to Brisbane City on penalty kicks.

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By JOHN TAYLOR

A crowd of 4175 turned up at Marconi to witness this first round Cup match and while there were no goals and only few good patches of entertaining football the fans were far from disappointed.

It was tough and bruising at times but surprisingly referee Tim Davies booked only three players: Marconi's Richards (dissent) and Richie Williams and Croatia's Greg Smith.

The first-half honours certainly belonged to Croatia. They were more constructive, more enthusiastic and created more chances.

Energetic midfielder John Russell and central defender Bruno Cagali were in the thick of the action for Croatia.

In the second half Rale Rasic brought in Stuart Selvage for Williams and he injected more life.

Marconi were more adventurous and played some nice touch football but still they couldn't put the ball into the net.

Croatia goalie Steve Watson kept his team in the game by making two great saves from Richards (59th) and Mariani (81st minute).

After 90 minutes it was scoreless and that's the way it still was after the extra 30 minutes.

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FLIES



\$15,000 Ollerton goals in first match

By BRUCE WADDELL

Despite a disgraceful referring exhibition and obvious needling tactics from Brisbane City, Marconi maintained their Philips League lead with a tremendous 3-0 win over Brisbane City at Perry Park.

Marconi fielded Peter Ollerton, bought during the week for \$15,000 from South Melbourne

Peter Ollerton — transferred from South Melbourne Hellas.

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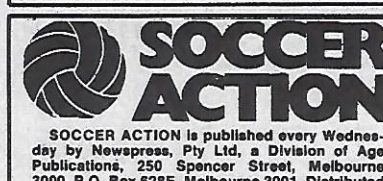
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ANTONIADIS TO PLAY AGAINST ALEXANDER?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Negotiations were continuing in Greece this week between Hellas president Sam Pappasavas and the great Anton Antoniadis, of Panathinaikos.

Hellas was hoping Antoniadis would agree to join Hellas as a guest player and make his first appearance in the big clash with Alexander at Olympic Park on Sunday.

Antoniadis has been out of the Panathinaikos team lately because of a clash with coach Kaz Goraki so there is no reason why the club should stand in his way if he wants to come to Australia.

Meanwhile, Alexander continues its efforts to get a temporary

clearance for Eamon Bannon so he can play on Sunday.

Bannon, brother of Pat, Vince and Ged who all play in Melbourne, is a star with Hearts in Scotland. He is here on a visit.

The Hellas v Alexander clash should draw about 20,000 enthusiastic Greek fans to Olympic Park, for both teams are fighting to finish in the top four.

Alexander is undefeated in ten matches since John Margaritis took over as coach. Hellas hasn't lost in six games.

Alexander, inspired by Branko Buljevic, beat Western Suburbs 3-2 after leading 3-1 last Sunday, while Hellas victory over Lions had a lot to do with the great play of George Campbell.

Chris Kent is fit again, and it will be interesting to see whether Hellas coach Dave MacLaren uses him. It will also be interesting to see whether Jack Reilly or John Hansen plays in goal.

Alexander is likely to be unchanged, although Mike Micevski and Theo Selemdis came on as substitutes last week.

Hellas should have beaten Brisbane Lions by a much bigger margin.

The home team had most of the play and created most of the scoring chances.

Had it not been for the great play of defender George Potter who cleared two good attempts by Duncan Cummings off the goal line, Lions would have suffered utter humiliation.

Campbell and overlapping full back Mike Pye carved great holes in the brittle Lions defence in the second half, and Chris Kalafatis dealt capably with the occasional bursts of Lions striker Barrie Fairbrother.



SM-Hellas 2 Lions 1

Ten minutes later Campbell made it 2-0 with an uncanny shot that dipped in just under the cross-bar.

Hellas should have scored again when Cummings dashed away, taking advantage of a slip by Col Bennett. Cummings fed the ball to Bertie Lutton on his right, but Lutton mis-kicked.

Lions' only goal was the result of a defensive blunder by Hellas, not good play by Lions.

Chris Kalafatis missed a cross from Steve Amos, and goalkeeper Reilly allowed the ball to roll through his legs. Fairbrother had the easy task of poking it into the empty net.

Paul Ontong tried a shot just after half time, but Reilly came good with a fine save. Reilly also saved Hellas late in the match, when Lions started to play a little better, mainly because Hellas had tired after doing all the work.

Billy Rogers had an incredible miss in the 55th minute after the defence had again failed to clear and soon after Potter cleared a header by Cummings off the line.

Potter cleared another Cummings header in the 68th minute before Reilly made a brilliant save from Fairbrother.

Just before the end, Alan Hughes made his way to the dead-ball line and lobbed into the area after Reilly had come out, but Stuart Baxter was there to clear.



Anton Antoniadis of Panathinaikos.



George Christopoulos fires Hellas' first goal past Lions goalkeeper Nigel Lownds.

Jim Hermiston of Lions bundles Hellas' Bertie Lutton off the ball.



Hellas star George Campbell slides in but Lions goalkeeper Nigel Lownds beats him to the ball. Pictures by SAM BELFONTE.

BRILLIANT BULJEVIC!

By ALEX VESIC

Spearheaded by a splendid display from Branko Buljevic, Fitzroy-Alexander carried on from where they left off during their last visit to Wentworth Park to down Western Suburbs 3:2.

It was fitting that Alexander should stretch their nine-game unbeaten run at this ground, for their win over Olympic was the turning point of the season. Since then, Alexander has found the form which had eluded them for so long at the start of this year's competition.

Cole, Bozikas and Buljevic, the striking trio for Alexander, showed glimpses of things to come early in the first half.

In the 16th minute Bozikas eluded Ian Rowden, then pushed the ball to Branko Buljevic, but the shot by the tall striker just missed the upright. Only two minutes later Gary Cole stretched Greg Woodhouse with a scorcher from some 25 metres, with Wests goalkeeper just touching the ball to push it around the post for a corner.

From a well-taken corner, the ball landed at the feet of Jim Campbell but the nippy defender failed to convert.

Close to the end of the first half, Peter Wilson made an error, losing the ball to Bozikas who ran some 30 metres before attempting a shot. Ian Rowden made a desperate lunge which saved the day for Wests.

Wests were not without a chance in the first half but some poor shooting denied them the lead.

Stone could have scored in the 11th minute after a goalmouth scramble, but his shot went over the bar. Then, in the 25th minute it was Clive Eaton's turn to miss. Andy Scott raced past McMillan and sent a perfect cross to the unmarked Eaton. The ball bounced awkwardly for Eaton and he managed only to hit it with his knee past the upright from six metres out.

In the second half BULJEVIC provided great entertainment with



Wests 2 Alexander 3

clinched the two points for the visitors. Wests made the mistake of allowing the ex-Socceroo freedom of the park and his speed and ball control did the rest.

The game was only four minutes old in the second half when Alexander hit the lead. McMillan raced down the right flank, beat Wilson with ease then centred. A header by Buljevic was good enough to beat Woodhouse but the ball hit the crossbar, and bounced back into play where Jim Campbell had the easiest of tasks to tap it home.

Six minutes later Wests were in for another shock.

2:0; McMillan, well into his own half, started the move by passing the ball to Cole who quickly crossed to Buljevic. With speed that surprised the home team, Buljevic ran into the area, and pulled the ball into the path of Bozikas who only had to tap it into the net inches away from the line.

2:1; In the 63rd minute Blasby made a great save after a shot by O'Donnell, pushing the ball away for a corner. O'Donnell took the kick and Turnbull rose above the Alexander defenders to head past Blasby.

3:1; Great running off the ball by Buljevic paved the way for the third goal by the visitors. The ball travelled from Campbell to Taylor then to Buljevic who ran into the area and faced with Woodhouse, slammed a scorcher into the net.

One would have thought Wests had had enough and that the game was well and truly lost.

But Alexander almost blew it. Samuels replaced a useless Fisher in the 64th while Margaritis replaced two of his players in the 78th. Pat Bannon and Jim Campbell, neither of whom were in difficulties, were replaced by Mike Micevski and Theo Selemdis.

Marocchi out on Sunday?

By JOHN TAYLOR

Adelaide Juventus has proved a real bogey team for Marconi in the Phillips League but it may not be the case when the teams meet at Olympic Sports Field in Adelaide on Sunday.

Adelaide could very well be without star midfielder Gary Marocchi and defender Fred Yung for the clash.

Both were casualties against St. George at Barton Park in Sydney last Sunday.

Saints got back on the winning track after seven weeks and the 2-1 victory lifted them off the bottom of the ladder — but only because of a slightly better goal difference than Canberra City.

It was a game which Adelaide



St. George 2, Adel. Juve 1.

Juventus coach Lee Scheinflug would rather forget.

Asked whether Juventus was set a chance for the top four he replied: "I don't really think so."

"You can't really expect to make it if you can't beat the bottom teams."

W. I won't give up the fight though. The way Juventus started off it certainly looked as if they'd capture the two points with comparative ease.

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Warren blames 'British mafia'

By PETER WINDSOR

"What a load of rubbish" was the chant from Canberra's fans on Saturday as they crashed to their first home defeat of the season against Sydney Olympic.

In victory Sydney Olympic didn't look like a side holding down the second-to-bottom place on the League ladder.

They played it hard — and although Canberra made most of the running, Olympic had what any team needs if it wants to win — better opportunism near goal.

Veteran Scottish ace Billy Prie was the man who did the damage — but Don Allan's third goal for Olympic was one of the best seen in FSL soccer in Canberra all season.

Allan cracked a first time shot from 25 metres that rocketed into the roof of the net inches past the outstretched fingers of Canberra keeper, Ron Tiled.

Canberra coach Johnny Warren was bitterly disappointed and angry after the match — so much so that in one Canberra newspaper the next day he was quoted as blaming "the British mafia" for picking Saturday's team.

What he meant was that keen fans wanted certain UK players back in the squad. Players like transfer-listed Brian Stoddart and midfielder, Jimmy Cant, who both played.

However, Warren has always been given absolute backing to pick his own team by City's Board of Directors. They have never interfered with his decisions.

In fact, Warren did himself little good on Saturday by sitting inside the control box at Bruce Stadium rather than on the players' and coach's bench.

But in one thing he was right — the team didn't play well, and that's the understatement of the year. "Why? Ask three people and you get three different views. Whatever the cause, City is now bottom of the ladder with one hell of a job ahead to pull back up table."

Canberra needs striking power up front. Equally, it needs method and some sign of constructive thinking once in with a chance to shoot.

Knowledgeable soccer fans will reach their own conclusions as to the cause for this situation.

On Saturday Canberra started well and the 4,300 fans present



Canberra 1 Olympic 2

However, even though one goal behind as the second half began, City fans were still confident that City would at least come home for its 11th draw of the season.

That hope disappeared in the 63rd minute when, from an indirect free kick, Prie's shot, although reached by Tiled, was judged to have crossed the line and referee Doug Rennie of Sydney gave a goal.

And in fairness Canberra fans parallel with the goal agreed that the ball had crossed the line.

That was it — although Allan's superb 70th minute goal settled any remote chance City had of pulling back.

Then, when so far ahead, was the only time Olympic looked ragged and unsure in defence.

Partially it came from desperation-type pressure from City with players like Johnny Davies at last lifting their games.

However, only five minutes remained when Terry Byrne finally found Olympic's net for Canberra's only goal.

One minute later Ivan Grulic had a good goal-scoring chance but Gary Meier saved well.

Olympic were over the moon. It was their first win in five games.

They returned to Sydney feeling it was just the beginning of better things to come.

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They're the best 36 in Victoria

Trying to decide between the different merits of players is often like trying to split hairs. However, I've stuck out my neck and picked from the State League ranks the best three players in each position, plus the best utility players, according to form near the half-way mark of the season.



Willie Coulson (Ringwood)



Vince Bannon (Frankston)



John Bernard (Makedonia)

No doubt there are hundreds of soccer fans who fancy themselves as selectors, all of whom would have been willing to give **Jimmy Shoulder** their 'perfect' line-up for Australia.

Of course they'd tell you, in all modesty, that their selections would have got Australia to the World Cup finals, or make pint-sized Peles out of the local under eights.

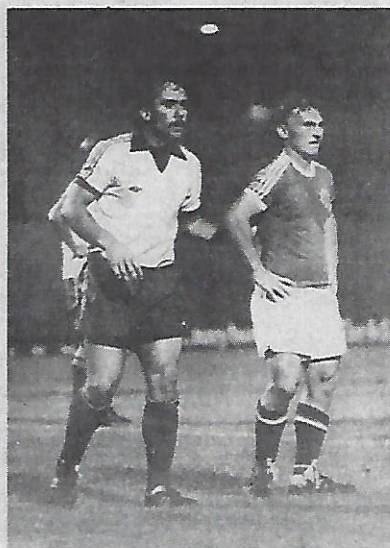
Unfortunately, critics rarely agree, so my list of the top 36 players in the State League is bound to get me into some people's bad books. Hopefully, there are a few 'armchair selectors' who will agree with my choices.

My first choice goalkeeper is **Billy Whiteside** of Hakoah. I favor him ahead of second-placed **Peter Laumets** of Makedonia only because he has played consistently well this season. **Lou Denys** of Green Gully is third pick.

The right-back position goes to **Vince Bannon** of Frankston, with **Grant Smart** of Croatia second, and **Mike Dixey** of Sunshine third.

Over on the left flank, **Steve Short** of Slavia gets the nod. He plays occasionally in midfield, but still edges out **Ante Bilaver** (second) of Croatia, and **Hugh Howe** of Sunshine.

John Gardiner of



Ged Bannon (left) of Frankston, with State winger Tommy Cumming of Croatia.

Croatia is the sweeper, with **John Yzendoorn** of Slavia and **David Baker** of Hakoah following him in that order.

The stopper position goes to Gardiner's Croatia team-mate **Steve Kokoska**. Young **Steve Ellis** of Sunshine comes in second followed by **John Cain** of Green Gully.

Moving into midfield, **Willie Coulson** of Ringwood is the number one midfield general. He's followed closely by **Billy McClymont** of Makedonia. **Billy Wilkinson** of George Cross is third.

Midfield destroyers, or defensive midfielders as they're more politely known,

are invaluable to their team. **Alan Kerr** of Croatia is the pick of the lot, along with **Paul Murphy** of George Cross (second) and **Ged Bannon** of Frankston.

Midfielders who can score goals are worth their weight in gold. **John Bernard** of Makedonia excels in this department, with **Steve Bennie** of Green Gully and **John O'Callaghan** of Ringwood following in that order to complete the top trio of attacking midfielders.

On the right wing is **Tommy Cumming** of Croatia. **Mick Watkins** of Juventus is second choice, with George Cross' **Robert Cullen** coming in third.

By
KYLE
PATTERSON

In the middle of the attack is **Eddie Krncevic** of Croatia. **Ken Reed** of George Cross is in second place, with **Mike Clarey** of Hakoah third.

The left wing berth goes to **Jim Williams** of Slavia. **John Hotson** of Juventus is second pick, with **Billy Vojtek** of Croatia making up the threesome.

Billy Jordanou of Hakoah can play full back, stopper, sweeper or midfielder, and is the top utility man. **Alan Parrot** of Frankston is also versatile, being capable of playing full back, midfield or centre forward. **Billy McCormack** of Albion is the third.

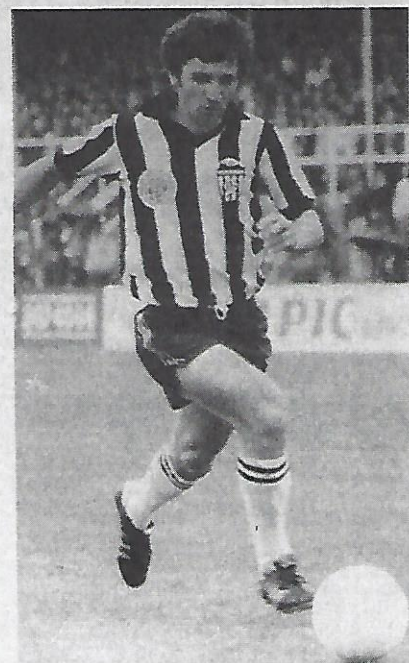
Players who narrowly missed out include **George Train** and **Bob Taylor** of Altona, **Sandy Irvine** of Frankston and **Ken Murphy** of Croatia.

If points are awarded on a 3-2-1 basis, with the top player in each section getting three points, second two, and third one, then the club table looks like this —

	3's	2's	1's	P
Croatia	5	2	1	20
Slavia	2	1	0	8
Hakoah	2	0	2	8
Makedonia	1	2	0	7
Frankston	1	1	1	6
Geo Cross	0	2	2	6
Ringwood	1	0	1	4
Juventus	0	2	0	4
G. Gully	0	1	2	4
Sunshine	0	1	2	4
Albion	0	0	1	1
Altona	0	0	0	0



J.U.S.T. goalkeeper Dennis Boland.



Right back Buggy Nyskohus of Adelaide Juventus.

FORD COULD BACK GEELONG PSL BID

By LAURIE SCHWAB

If there are men of vision in Geelong (Vic) they should act immediately to launch their city into the Philips League.

It is common knowledge that the league is keen to reduce the number of Sydney teams because some of them are not capable of winning sufficient support.

Hakoah-East, sensing this drift, decided last week to change its name to Sydney City to give the club wider appeal and a better chance of support

from sponsors and the city council.

We have also had statements from league officials that they would like to see one of the Sydney

teams moving to the Wollongong area.

The success of Canberra City and Newcastle United has shown that decentralisation can increase crowds.

If soccer is to be decentralised in Victoria, Geelong must be the first target.

...A committee of the right people could harness all the resources available to

soccer in the Geelong area and prepare a strong submission for Philips League membership.

The obvious sponsor would be Ford, the biggest single employer in the area.

For Ford, it would be a valuable gesture of goodwill towards its "home" city, and also a productive advertising exercise.

Geelong could either form a new club, as was done in Newcastle and Canberra, or perhaps form a composite team, as was proposed by Western Australia.

At the moment there are 11 clubs in Geelong, and the local league competition, run by the Western Victoria Soccer Association.

The clubs are: Bell Park (Metro 2nd Div), Corio (Metro 4th Div), Geelong (Provisional Div 1), Hamlyn Rangers (Provisional Div 1), Barwon City, Brimstone, Geelong United, Norlane West, North Geelong, Northern Suburbs and West Geelong (all WVSA).

Surely, among all the people involved, there are enough with the drive, enthusiasm and ability to move Geelong towards the Philips League.

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West Adelaide Hellas defender Con Kampas.



Marconi's Jimmy Rooney (right), pursued by Zoran Ilioski of J.U.S.T.



Peter Boyle (W. Adel. Hellas).



Striker Ken Boden (Newcastle)



Ray Richards (left) of Marconi tackles Ken Taylor of Alexander.



J.U.S.T. utility player Zdravko Lujic.



Roberto Vieri (Marconi)

Marconi men head all-star ratings

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Marconi players come out on top in seven out of 12 classifications in our "all-star" squad based on form up to the half-way mark of the Phillips League season.

We have attempted to classify the best five players in each category, awarding points from five to one.

The ratings are based on observations by "Soccer Action" writers in conjunction with the trend of voting in the JAT Player of the Year award.

The twelve categories are: goalkeeper, right back, sweeper, stopper, left back, defensive midfielder, midfield general, attacking midfielder, right striker, central striker, left striker and utility player.

Adding up total points gained, Marconi has 33 — 10 more than second placed Footscray J.U.S.T., with West Adelaide Hellas third on 21 points.

J.U.S.T.'s high placing is indicative of the high level of individual ability in its squad — ability which, however, has failed to be rewarded by a general inability to score sufficient goals.

Canberra's great fighting qualities have resulted in a total of 13 points, only one less than fourth-placed Fitzroy Alexander.

Canberra has suffered heavily from injuries this year, putting the burden on a hard nucleus of players, who have been forced to excel.

The only team which failed to have a player included in the top five of any category is Sydney Olympic.

Team totals are:

33—Marconi	11—Brisbane City, Newcastle
23—Footscray-J.U.S.T.	10—Hakoah-Easts
21—West Adelaide Hellas	9—Brisbane Lions
14—Fitzroy Alexander	8—St George
13—Canberra	6—Western Suburbs
12—Sth Melb Hellas, Adelaide Juventus	

Voting details:

GOALKEEPERS

- 5 — Dennis Boland (J.U.S.T.)
- 4 — Nigel Lownds (Brisbane Lions)
- 3 — Peter Marshall (Adelaide Juventus)
- 2 — Ron Tilled (Canberra)
- 1 — John Hansen (Sth Melb Hellas)

RIGHT BACKS

- 5 — Buggy Nyekohus (Adelaide Juventus)
- 4 — Kevin Mullen (Hakoah)
- 3 — Barry Reynolds (WA-Hellas)
- 2 — Arthur McMillan (Alexander)
- 1 — Rod Skellern (West. Suburbs)

SWEEPERS

- 5 — Jim Hermiston (Brisbane Lions)
- 4 — Steve Perry (Brisbane City)
- 3 — Ivo Prekalo (Marconi)
- 2 — Con Kampas (WA-Hellas)
- 1 — Tony Henderson (Canberra)

STOPPERS

- 5 — Jim Kondarlos (Footscray J.U.S.T.)
- 4 — Chris Kalafatis (Sth Melb Hellas)
- 3 — Peter Tokeal (Brisbane City)
- 2 — Bill Summerscales (Newcastle)
- 1 — John Brown (Canberra)

LEFT BACKS

- 5 — Paul Degney (Marconi)
- 4 — Jim Tansey (Alexander)
- 3 — Col Curran (Newcastle)
- 2 — Margaritis Hegeganouli (Sth Melb Hellas)
- 1 — Warren Turnbull (West Suburbs)

DEFENSIVE MIDFIELDERS

- 5 — Ray Richards (Marconi)


- 3 — Zoran Ilioski (J.U.S.T.)
- 2 — Sammy Wright (Sth Melb Hellas)
- 1 — Jim Cant (Canberra)
- MIDFIELD GENERALS**
- 5 — Roberto Vieri (Marconi)
- 4 — Bertie Lutton (Sth Melb Hellas)
- 3 — Peter Boyle (WA-Hellas)
- 2 — Pat Bannon (Alexander)
- 1 — Craig Mason (Newcastle)
- ATTACKING MIDFIELDERS**
- 5 — Jimmy Rooney (Marconi)
- 4 — Peter Marinello (Canberra)
- 3 — Joe Picione (J.U.S.T.)
- 2 — Jim Campbell (Alexander)
- 1 — Ian Souness (Hakoah)
- RIGHT STRIKERS**
- 5 — Mark Jankovic (Marconi)
- 4 — Joe Watson (Hakoah)
- 3 — John Nyskohus (Adelaide Juventus)
- 2 — Joe Palinkas (J.U.S.T.)
- 1 — Willie Conner (Brisbane City)
- CENTRAL STRIKERS**
- 5 — Ken Boden (Newcastle)
- 4 — Clive Eaton (West Suburbs)
- 3 — Alan Marley (Brisbane City)
- 2 — Terry Byrne (Canberra)
- 1 — Gary Cole (Alexander)
- LEFT STRIKERS**
- 5 — Peter Sharne (Marconi)
- 4 — Phil O'Connor (St George)
- 3 — Branko Buljehus (Alexander)
- 2 — Chris Kent (Sth Melb Hellas)
- 1 — Hilton Silva (Hakoah)
- UTILITY PLAYERS**
- 5 — Zdravko Lujic (J.U.S.T.)
- 4 — Neville Morgan (St George)
- 3 — Dave Pillans (WA-Hellas)
- 2 — Roy Stark (Canberra)
- 1 — Brian Northcote (Adelaide Juventus)



Jim Hermiston (right) of Brisbane Lions, in a heading duel with another PSL star, Pat Bannon (left) of Alexander.



Speedy forward Peter Sharne of Marconi.



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Yugal hung on grimly to score an upset 2-1 win over Auburn in the Rothmans Soccer League at Mons Park.

Auburn had their chances and were unlucky in the third minute when a free kick by Willie Hamilton crashed against an upright.

Yugal opened the scoring in the eighth minute when Stan Tanoski gathered a loose ball and neatly scored it past Auburn keeper Paul Griffin.

With the wind at their backs, Auburn attacked strongly but poor finishing marred their efforts.

The second half improvement expected of Auburn did not eventuate and apart from mid-fielder John McDonald their performance lacked cohesion.

Yet in the 75th minute, Auburn finally put it together and a cross by substitute Mick Stephenson was flicked into the net by Hamilton.

Yugal's winning goal came in the 82nd minute when Dragan Pural found himself unmarked after some slick build-up and his scorching 20 metre shot gave keeper Griffin no chance.

Attacking strongly, Auburn were

a shade unlucky when they hit the upright and crossbar several times in the closing stages.

Apia, after a slow start, cruised to an effortless 2-0 victory over Manly at Lambert Park.

The combination of Butler and John Doyle ripped the Manly defence apart.

Apia notched their first goal in the 59th when a long throw by Mark Pullen was backed headed by Doyle onto the crossbar and All Link forced the rebound over the line.

Eight minutes later Butler cut behind the Manly defence then laid on a perfect pass for Link to smash the ball home from 10 metres for his second goal.

Marrickville Olympic's 2-1 win over Arncliffe Scots at Hurstville Oval keeps alive their slender hopes of making the top four.

Marrickville's first goal came in the 45th minute when Jim Bryden headed in a perfect cross by Peter Belasas.

Marrickville went two up in the 63rd minute with Peter Ktholios sent in a long high ball which lobbed over the goalkeeper's head.

Arncliffe pulled a goal back in

NSW State League with JOHN TAYLOR

This week's games

SATURDAY	Lambert Park
Apia v Granville	Garside Park
Yugal v Manly	
SUNDAY	Marco Polo Oval
Monaro v Sutherland	Girraween Park
Toongabbie v M'ville	Garside Park
Olympic	Soccer Centre
Mellita v Auburn	
Bankstown v Avala	

the 80th minute after Marrickville defender, Alan Strickland deflected a shot from John Muskovics into his own net.

For Arncliffe's new coach, Kas Kulak, who took over from Ross Warren last week, has a lot of work ahead of him.

Their meagre tally of seven

goals in 14 matches testifies to their lack of striking power.

For Marrickville, midfielder Ktholios was outstanding while Jim Bryden, Ross Brown, Harry Xipolitas and Norman Penman also turned in solid performances.

Frank Hall gave a fine display in

midfield for the Scots and was well supported by Dan Martin, but they received little support from their forwards.

Premiers Croatia put it all together to down Bankstown 3-1 at the Soccer Centre.

Their first goal came in the 18th minute. Maurice Sullivan took a short corner and full-back George Smith floated the ball into the goalmouth. Atli Abonyi, with a great drive put the ball through a wall of Bankstown players.

Croatia's second goal came in the 26th minute when a mix-up in Bankstown defence allowed Wally Savor to score the easiest of goals.

Bankstown did have two scoring chances in the first half but Croatia's keeper Steve Watson was equal to the task.

In the 41st minute Savor got his second goal with a beautiful angled shot to make the score 3-0.

Bankstown scored their consolation goal in the 78th minute when replacement player Bobby Usher found a high ball for Dennis Daley to head the ball over keeper's head into the net.

Two quick goals by Tony Morsello swept Inter Monaro to a 3-1 win over Granville at Garside Park.

Monaro dominated from the outset and both Walter Valeri and George Campbell went close to scoring in the opening minutes.

It was Campbell who opened the scoring in the 31st minute.

He collected a pass on the left wing, moved into the middle and beat three defenders before slamming the ball home from eight metres.

Then, with no further score before half time. But midway through the second half Monaro took control with Morsello's two goals in three minutes.

A shot by Morsello in the 61st minute struck the upright and he netted the rebound.

Then he latched onto a pass from Alan Bourke and scored with a low hard shot.

Bruce Wedron had a good shot saved by Laurie Palec in the Monaro goal before Henry Salbridge scored. Granville's only goal in the 87th minute from a fine Paul Haycock cross.

Two chances all day — and scored from both.

Sutherland had innumerable chances and could only find the net once.

Sutherland began well and went to the lead after 12 minutes from Paul Smith.

Toongabbie's central defender Bob Oldham was a dominant force in his back line, but it was mainly the lack of finish by Sutherland which prevented them from increasing their lead.

Five minutes before half time Zatt snapped up a loose ball on the edge of the penalty area and smashed it into the net for the equaliser.

The Sharks had lost the rhythm and purpose they showed in the first half.

In the 50th minute, Zatt grabbed his second goal and Sutherland were in trouble. From a loose clearance, Watkins' miss-headed ball and Zatt pounced on it to run 40 metres and push the ball past the oncoming goalkeeper.

Sutherland fought back desperately and were driven on by Keith Schumann, who did not put a foot wrong.

Kastner, Steinke to boost Austria

First Division

KEILOR-AUSTRIA 3 (Kuzmanov 2, Stojanovic 1, Dandenong 2 (Young, Buchanan)).

Austria, Dimitrijević (Kastner 55th min), Grbac, Santos, Alexic, Anderson, Szabo, Meneses, Beller, Stojanovic, Steinka, Kuzmanov.

Dandenong: Davis, Alan, Parker, Parton, R. Murray, Young, Holcombe, Daniels, Buchanan, Lynn, Hill (Pryde 60th).

Austria, featuring Lou Kastner and German import Lutz Steinke, started its climb off the bottom of the ladder by beating Dandenong 3-2 with two goals by another recruit, Nick Kuzmanov from Essendon Croatia.

Kastner was bought from George Cross the day before the game for \$2000 — the amount agreed upon in the out-of-court settlement after Kastner had taken out a writ against the club, seeking a transfer.

Steinke, from Hertha 03 which has toured Australia a number of times, also arrived the day before the game.

He started very well but looked travel weary later. In Australia's Armstrong Cup victory over Broadmeadows the following day, he scored one of the goals.

Austria's coach Rudi Rabi, who replaced Milenko Ruzmir some weeks ago, decided not to use Kastner against Dandenong.

However, after Chris Dimitrijević had made a bad mistake which resulted in the goal that enabled Dandenong to level at 2-2, Kastner was rushed on as a substitute.

Kastner, the former Victorian State player and a member of the national squad in 1969 played for George Cross for 17 years, including his time as a junior.

He joined Austria saying he wanted to help the club ward off relegation.

Austria took the lead in the 20th minute when Ljube Stojanovic slotted home a square pass from Kuzmanov, who scored the second goal 10 minutes later.

Young pulled one back for Dandenong two minutes after half time and Buchanan hit the crossbar before scoring the equaliser.

With Kastner on the field to give his team new confidence, Kuzmanov stormed away on a 40-metre run down the wing before scoring the winning goal.

CROYDON 1 (Lowrey) v Western Suburbs 1 (Czapnik).

Croydon City and fellow promotion

seekers Western Suburbs fought out an exciting 1-1 draw at Croydon Park on Sunday.

After an even first half in which neither team scored, Croydon, usually slow starters, went straight on the attack.

Alan Pongho carried the ball out of defence and passed to Pat Lowrey who in turn carried the ball deep into the Western Suburbs half. He then played a simple one-two with Jim Wylie and slipped the return ball past the advancing goalkeeper after only two minutes of the second half. Unfortunately, the goalkeeper, in a desperate effort to stop the shot, crashed into Lowrey and made the goal.

Two minutes later Croydon full back Mike Sinclair, who had been cautioned in the first half was again penalised for a hard tackle and sent off.

Croydon had another set back at the 64th minute when keeper Mick Edwards was forced to leave the field with a back injury.

Eleven minutes from time Western Suburbs floated in a long free kick from

just inside the Croydon half and the unmarked forward had no trouble finding Roy Lawton to level the score.

Best for Croydon were Lowrey, Pongho, Duncan Smith, Steve McCord and Wylie.

Late on Friday Croydon secured services of top national League midfielder Joe Tront from Fitzroy Alexander. Joe, who represented Victoria last year, will further boost the strong Croydon side up.

POLONIA 3 (Menchelli 35th min, Laric 39th min, Aristodemou 76th min) COLLINGWOOD 2 (Scandinea 25th min, Feretis 51st min).

COLLINGWOOD: Gountaris, Tsapadunatz (Tzadeas 46th min), G. Tsakalidis, Gatzonis, Koullacis, Loukas, Feretis, Pagliuso, Bozakis, Salsos, Tsakalidis.

LOUKAS MARIYANONG — Sorokowski, Wozila, J. Dimitrije, J. Pater, Garkiw, Herman, Laric, P. Czapnik, Katar, Menichcz (Brett 70th min) Aristodemou.

Collingwood hit the front in the 25th min, when Salkindis broke away from the Polonia defence and beat up on Vancie Edro Sorokowski to put his side into the lead. It was the first goal conceded by Polonia in four games.

Polonia equalised ten minutes later when a corner taken by Koter found Mario Menichelli and his header went into the back of the net despite the efforts of two Collingwood defenders to keep it out.

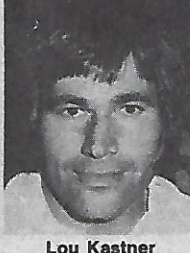
The goal started a Polonia revival. A shot by Menichelli was well saved by Gountaris, and then another corner by Koter went straight to Brendan Lalic. He made no mistake with a header to put Polonia into the lead in the 39th minute.

Just after half-time a great individual effort by Feretis put his side back on level terms. He beat two Polonia defenders and then unleashed a shot which gave Sorokowski no chance.

The score remained deadlocked until the 76th minute when Koter found Edro Aristodemou with a perfect pass, and he beat the Collingwood goalie to regain the lead for Polonia.

It gave Polonia four wins in a row, and this Saturday they beat Croydon at Maribyrnong reserve. Last time these two teams met it was an 89 min goal that beat Polonia and they are determined to make sure it will be a different result on Saturday.

Among the best players for Polonia in the Collingwood game were Peter Czapnik, Sorokowski and Garkiw.



Lou Kastner



Lutz Steinke



Nick Kuzmanov

Victorian Metro and Provisional Leagues

goals from Ray Sherman and Aukie Wazdyk.

However, instead of making Arder, the Hillmen continued to cruise. Ian Tuffield hit the post, but the home team, despite losing a defender with a knee injury, and having its goalkeeper hobbling around the six yard box, also injured, came back and equalised.

John Bedford took the resultant penalty, and equalised for Knox.

Knox opened the second half with good attacks from Pongho and Howarth, but it was Shackelford who got the all important goal.

Round three of the Black Douglas Cup has its fair share of surprises and thrills with every team giving their all to win a place in the quarter-finals.

The replay of last year's final drew up to expectations with A. R. Split 'A' getting a narrow victory over Bush Dynamo 'A'. The main difference between the teams was speed. Obviously A. R. Split 'A' had done their homework and remembered how lack of pace and directness had lost them the final match.

DOVETON, 2 KEILOR CITY, 0.

City were rocked early in the week by the shock retirement of defender Joe Blewer.

In the space of a few short weeks Keilor have plunged from a promotion to a relegation candidate.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 3 (Belic 2, Krnic) v ELTHAM 1 (Spaniak).

J.U.S.T.: Otrowsky, Grbac, Karic, Ristic, Kankovic, Krcovic, Belic, Vasic, Atanasovski, Pereski, Kazanivski, Telavski, Krnic.

League leaders Pegasus got away to a flying start against Reman Leathergoods when ALAN TAYLOR hit a screamer into the top corner of the net from outside the area. Pegasus increased their lead to 2-0.

Alastair the run of play. Doveton went to a 1-0 lead when City defender Kralevis seemed to have a harmless looking cross well covered, but a shocking bounce which left the Doveton striker with the simple task of pushing the ball into the net.

ELTHAM: Wright, Crowley, Circa, Goomy, Raynes, Dressler, McIntosh, Homa, Spaniak, Sampsonis, Taylor, Emson.

It would have been a similar result at A. U. Linden where surprisingly the home team held Hedges Dynamo 3-0 with three minutes to play. It had been an even match up to half time but in the second half the visitors' pressure brought them three goals.

In the 50th min, Kulyk was through and only five yards out, he was sandwiched and felled. However, no penalty was given, adding yet another one to a series of vital decisions which somehow haven't come City's way over the last few weeks.

Footscray started off a fine style, scoring two goals in the first 15 minutes and caught a bewildered Eltham.

Eltham woke up in the 20th minute, and with Les Goony directing traffic in the midfield, they pulled one back when Spaniak scored.

In the 67th minute Hedges Dynamo were awarded a penalty, 3-1. A minute later ZELKO MARIC made it 3-2 and with A. U. Linden leading the scoring through BRIAN OUSLEY. This was Brian's first goal for two years.

Keilor, upset following this incident, were reduced to 10 men as fullback Pascinij got his marching orders.

Playing one man short, they continued to press Doveton and managed to hold the tie to only the occasional breakaway.

However, Eltham didn't have the power up front to convert the team's pressure into goals and Footscray snuggled dangerous on the counter attack. The play was even until J.U.S.T. scored in the final minute to make the scoreline 3-1.

Bowler Scott reached the last eight for the first time with a 2-0 win over Sperry Vickers. It was 40 minutes of play before the Scotties opened the scoring through BRIAN OUSLEY. This was Brian's first goal for two years.

Doveton got their second goal in the last few minutes from a ball which bounced off the upright and was neatly tucked away.

FERNTREE 0 v RICHMOND 0.

FTB: Holt, Johnson, Steadler, Sp. De Ray, Clark, Tawson, Van Es, Fawell, Rowson, Res: Hackworth, Tawson, Booth.

Sperry Vickers had their chances but just couldn't make them count, not even from the penalty spot. The penalty they were awarded was saved by the Scotties keeper who had some of the pressure taken off him when the Scotties went further ahead through IAN MCCOULE after 20 minutes of the second half.

Keilor 1, W. Bryden, 2 R. Paszcinij, 3 L. Korodis, 4 R. Kinkel, 5 G. Altheim, 6 G. Preskeli, 7 M. Kralevis, 8 L. Van Lewin, 9 G. Deward, 10 W. Kulyk, 11 V. Kotevski.

RICHMOND: Harbers, Uvradits, Foster, Skinner, Maxson, Arvitz, Koehn, Koshak, Antonov, Staubinger, Dofin, RES: Warner, Munch.

Ansett may find scoring hard in League matches, but it doesn't bother them in the Cup, two goals in each half through Travellers Melbourne out of the Cup. FRANK KOVACEK put Ansett in the lead after five minutes; and from then on they never looked back. Travellers found Ansett's defence in depth too much to overcome.

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Rovers also fielded Ian Humble who has been transferred back to Doncaster after several seasons with, first, Slavia and later, Waverley City.

Meko Holdings prevented it being an all-A. R. Split final by disposing of A. R. Split 'B'. A first half goal by recent signing VALDO DELVIG was sufficient to put Meko through to the quarter-finals. It's interesting to note that Meko as Recco Richmond are the only teams of those left in the Cup competition to have previously won it.

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THIRD DIVISION

DONCASTER ROVERS 5, S.M. HELLAS 0.

The Doncaster express got back on the main line against rival promotion seekers Hellas by taking a mammoth 5-0 victory. In doing so Rovers welcomed back senior coach Norm Hobson after his recent illness with the best possible tonic, as every player in the side went out to show that last week's lapse against Moorabbin was no more than a slip.

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Second Division

KNOX CITY 2 (Bedford pen., Shackelford) v MORELAND 1 (Ferretter).

KNOX: De Man, Bailey, Ward, Bedford, Milne, Williams, Flynn, Howarth, Pongho, Shackelford, McConville.

MORELAND: Potter, Appleyard, Brazil, Kelly, Duncanson, Cole, Katz, Oats, Mallachin, Ferretter, Black.

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Jim Williams got on the end of a through ball for Knox, and he squared the ball with Potter, stranded. Howarth received the ball but his shot was handballed on the line by Duncanson.

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Division

Can you win in a defeat?

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 3 (McMillan 63rd & 90th mins., Bernard 52nd min.) GEORGE CROSS 0.

MAKEDONIA: Laumets 7, Petrovski 7, Hooper 7, Brewerton 7, Beach 6, Blavski 6, Lesbirel 8, McMillan 7, Bernard 6, McMillan 8, Glennon 8.

GEORGE CROSS: Matsson 6, McConnell 6, Castelo 6, Maitland 7, Barron 6, Murphy 7, Wilkinson 8, Webb 6 (Papas, 66th min.), Cullen 9, Reed 6, Walker 6.

New-look Makedonia continued the goal spree which has produced 11 goals in the

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MAKEDONIA v GEORGE CROSS
3 Cullen (Geo)
2 Lesbirel (Mak)
1 Wilkinson (Geo)
GREEN GULLY v HAKOAH
3 Cain (Gully)
2 Whiteside (Hak)
1 McCarthy (Gully)
FRANKSTON v ALTONA
3 Dall (Franks)
2 Gilders (Alli)
1 Gillespie (Franks)

JUVENUS SLIDING

ESSENDON CROATIA 2 (Cumming, Vojtek) JUVENUS 0.

CROATIA: Banovic, Smart (Davidson), Kokosa, Gardiner, Bilaver, Andrews (Culina), Kerr, Murphy, Cumming, Gilder, Vojtek.

JUVENUS: Harby, Della Rocca, Walker, Pfister, Sabini (Armstrong), Curcio, Symington, Sabidussi (Smith), Lucchesi, Watkins, Hoson (sent off).

Strife-ridden Juventus ran into some on-field trouble and the loss to Croatia sends the Italian-backed club into the pack of relegation battlers.

Juventus faces a vital game tonight (Wednesday) when it meets George Cross at Olympic Park (kick off 8.45 pm) in the time-postponed State League clash.

Juve took measures to ensure it didn't receive another drubbing similar to the one handed out by Hakoah. Coach Bobby McMillan had a four-man defence of Steve Walker, Uli Pfister, Serge Sabidussi and Pat Della Rocca, but the positioning of Jim Symington in a defensive midfield role gave a five-man rear guard.

Croatia players Tommy Cumming, Billy Vojtek, Carl Gilder and

DISCOUNT AT RINGWOOD CITY 2

RINGWOOD CITY 2 (Thom 28th min., Garthwaite 60th min.) SLAVIA 1 (Train 35th min.)

RINGWOOD: Wilding, Pasman, Carnaby, Garthwaite, Verniers, Adams, De Bruyckere, Coulson, La Plumb, Thom, Slavia, Starke, Thompson, Zedden, Westley, Miller, Short, Plummer (Turner, 66th min.), Whiteside (Williams 55th min.), Paton, Aldridge, Train.

Ringwood City did the team's chances of avoiding relegation a big favor by beating Slavia, but all is not well in the Ringwood camp. Conflict with club president John van Hoboken and behind-the-scenes manoeuvring has prompted coach Freddy Buncie to say he will resign as soon as the team is clear of the relegation.

I'd never leave a team while it was on the bottom, said Buncie. It would be like deserting a sinking ship. However, as soon as we are away from the danger zone I'll probably quit.

The players have said they want Buncie to stay and the matter will be discussed at a meeting of the players and coach later this week.

past three games, but the Preston team will be hard pressed to beat rival Essendon Croatia when the two meet in a grudge match at Olympic Park in three weeks.

This clash of giants presents Makedonia with the chance to get revenge for its losses to Croatia earlier in the season, and although the side is playing the best it has this season, Croatia is odds on to complete a hat-trick of wins.

The game will probably draw the

CROATIA v JUVENUS
3 Blaver (Cro)
2 Gardiner (Cro)
1 Kokosa (Cro)
SLAVIA v RINGWOOD
3 Coulson (Ring)
2 Adams (Ring)
1 Carnaby (Ring)

LEYLAND v SUNSHINE
2 D. Nelson (Suns)
2 Lowe (Suns)
1 R. Nelson (Suns)
Leading votegeters —
12 Whiteside (Hak)
11 Coulson (Ring), Bernard (Mak)

9 Gardiner (Cro), Carnaby (Ring)
8 Cain (Gully), Williams (Slavia), Zedden (Slavia)
6 Cumming (Cro), Kokosa (Cro), Denys (Gully), Sabidussi (Lure), Walker (Lure)

6 Taylor (All), Kerr (Cro), Adams (Franks), Irvine (Franks), Mil-Sk (Geo), McCarthy (Gully), Short (Slavia)

5 Krcavcic (Cro), McConville (Geo), Clary (Hak), Ellis (Suns)
Leading goalcorers —
7 Clary (Hak)
6 Cumming (Cro), McMillan (Mak)

5 Krcavcic (Cro), Eadie (Franks), 4 Nelson (Suns)
4 McCormack (Ley), Taylor (All), Webster (Franks), Reed (Geo), Paton (Slavia), Bernard (Mak)

3 Murphy (Cro), Vojtek (Cro), Gilder (Cro), MacGregor (Franks), Craig (Hak), Glennon (Mak)

Alan Kerr were marked tightly, but Juve's hopes of snatching a draw were dashed when Bruno Sabidussi had to go off after 25 minutes because of injury, and then John Hoson was given the red card soon after injury.

McLachlan was appalled by referee Mark Momen's decision to send Hoson off, and joked that the referee was the one who should've left the ground.

"It was disgusting," said McLachlan. "The ref was really poor."

However, the sending off did have a great bearing on the match. Juve was trailing 0-1 at the time, thanks to a goal by Cumming.

Juve's smothering of Croatia's prime movers was fairly effective, but the game never really flowed as a result. Juve rarely worried the Croatia defence, which has conceded only three goals in five State League matches this season.

Vojtek made it 2-0 midway through the second half, when Croatia was opening up more and controlling the game.

Croatia coach Billy McArthur said Juventus didn't give themselves a chance to win by playing defensively, but added that the team is too good to be considered a relegation chance.

"We never looked in danger," said McArthur. "but our midfield and forward lines never got going because of the Juve covering."

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Victorian State League with KYLE PATTERSON

largest State League attendance this season. There were about 4100 fans at Makedonia's Connor Reserve for the game against George Cross, so the Croatia/Makedonia battle should draw up to 7000 people.

A big attendance would certainly be good advertisement for the two clubs' bids for entry into the Phillips League. The P.L. must feel slightly embarrassed to see non-P.L. clubs like Croatia and Makedonia have followings nearly twice as large as Western Suburbs (Sydney), St. George and Hakoah-East.

Makedonia's 3-0 win over George Cross was achieved with a second-half burst. Playing with the wind, Makedonia pressed George Cross in the second 45 minutes, attacking confidently with fast, direct moves.

However, the first half belonged to George, which controlled the midfield and had winger Robert Cullen creating many chances. The Cross failed to score from any of the opportunities created, and this allowed Makedonia to play in the game and eventually win.

Billy Wilkinson dominated the middle of the park in the first half. He was the pivot of the George team, picking up most of the loose balls in midfield, and hitting accurately early passes to team mates in space. He featured in nearly all of George's good attacking moves.

The rough and ready Paul Murphy combined with Wilkinson well, and they overshadowed Makedonia's main midfielders Billy McMillan and Eric Lesbirel in the opening 30 minutes. Lesbirel came right into the play in the second half, but McMillan was disappointing as a midfielder, and spent a lot of his time as a forward, switching with Chris Glennon.

The turning point came in the 10 minutes immediately after half time. George's main forward, Steve Matsson, who ran onto Murphy's delicate chip over a mass of players. The time winger had to rush his shot but it was the speed with which Makedonia goalkeeper Peter Laumets came out to narrow the angle that forced Cullen to blast the ball over the bar.

The second chance, which was George's best, fell to Murphy. Kevin Walker jockeyed for the past Lube Petrovski and sent over a good cross. Cullen jumped and back-headed to Murphy, who was unmarked at the far post. Murphy's drive from eight yards was turned around the post by Laumets in what was a brilliant and decisive save.

Soon after, Makedonia went into the lead when John Bernard hit a rocket shot at goal which Steve Matsson, George's goalkeeper, who was standing in for regular Gerry Rice (Hak), could only parry into the net.

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The main change was that Lesbirel took over from Wilkinson as the supreme in midfield. He brought players into the game with his good vision and drove them forward against the Cross men, who had lost composure.

Lesbirel was playing his first game for several weeks. There was a vacancy in the side because of the ankle injury to Mike Savelski.

McMillan secured Makedonia's second and third goals. He made it 2-0 when he finished off a good move that involved Bernard and McMillan which saw a low ball put over to the far post.

The third goal, which was scored with the match all but finished, was a volley which he slammed home from close range after a good cross from the left.

When Makedonia got going in the second half, the team looked impressive, but still a question mark hangs over the defence. Figures show Makedonia hasn't conceded a goal for three games, but Cullen's speed showed Steve Beuch to be a weakness at left back. Centre backs Gary Hooper and Tom Brewerton are solid in the backline, but they are slow.

The team virtually plays with three centre backs, as Dragan Blavski is very deep in his defensive mid-field role.

George has to get Ken Reed back into a goalkeeping mood if the team is to recover. Reed is doing a lot of hard work, but with little result.

Import Tony Catolico has a solid game at centre back, as did Noel Maitland. George has a problem converting pressure into goals, and this doesn't allow the defence much breathing space.

—KYLE PETERSON.

Two previously postponed State League games will be played tonight (Wednesday) at Olympic Park.

Albion Leyland v Slavia (kick off at 7 p.m., followed by George Cross v Juventus at 8.45 p.m.)

Both games have a big bearing on the situation at the bottom of the league.

HAKOAH 1 (Gibson 40th min.) GREEN GULLY 0.

HAKOAH: Whiteside, Owens, Valli (Mick 47th), Baker, Dosen, Jordanou, Blair, Gibson, Craig, French, Clary.

GREEN GULLY: Denys, Donaldson, Patten, Cain, Klain, McCarthy, Daniels (Tribuzio 57th), L. Thomson, Carr (sent off 63rd), Segi (sent off 52nd), Perkins. Referee: Joe Stalits.

It's back to the drawing board as far as Green Gully is concerned. The team showed a marked lack of initiative in the first half, paid the penalty for it, and when the side woke up to the fact that it had a match on its hands it was practically too late to salvage anything.

Hakoah may have won the match, but played negative football and provided scant value for the money paid by the couple of hundred people who braved the cold to watch the game. Indeed Hakoah seemed loath to move out of its own half after the interval.

Even though the team was playing against nine men after Gully had Andy Segi and Steve Carr sent off soon after the break.

Despite being in front, there were a lot of heated arguments between Hakoah players and new coach Frank Miele has a big job getting the individual talent into a team combination. With the team's reluctance to attack, one wonders how it managed five goals against Juventus last week.

The first half's excitement was sporadic.

A Nigel Daniels header from a corner after 15 minutes was kicked off the line by Ian Gibson.

At the other end, there were shots by Mike Clary and Graham French, which were saved by Lou Denys.

French came close in the 38th minute when his shot following a free kick was only half saved by Denys and the latter had to scramble to collect the ball.

Hakoah's goal was as a result of another free kick taken by George Craig. French headed it down and with the ball falling across goal, Gibson was on hand to poke it low into the net from close range.

The two sending offs after the restart brought Gully out of its shell and it was by far the better team in the second half.

Carr, proving to be one of the bargains of the season, was moved up front and proved a big threat. In the 63rd minute mark he sent in a



Jim Daperis (left) of Albion, battles with Rob Nelson of Sunshine. Picture by BERNIE WASLIN.

This week's games

WEDNESDAY (tonight)
Albion Leyland v Slavia (Olympic Park, 7 pm).
Juventus v George Cross (Olympic Park, 8.45 pm).

SATURDAY
Juventus v Altona (Olympic Park).
Frankton v Slavia (Showgrounds, Ascot Vale).

SUNDAY
Ringwood v Sunshine (Jubilee Park).
Green Gully v Essendon-Croatia (Green Gully Reserve).

George Cross v Hakoah (Partridge Res., Lallor).
Albion Leyland v Makedonia (Selwyn Park).

State League team of week

In brackets: No. of appearances in this team.

WHITESIDE (4) (Hak)	CAIN (1) (Gully)	LOWE (2) (Suns)	BILAUER (3) (Cro)
ADAMS (2) (Ring)	LESBIREL (1) (Mak)	CULLEN (1) (Geo)	COULSON (4) (Ring)
CULLEN (1) (Geo)	McMILLAN (1) (Mak)	D. NELSON (1) (Suns)	

Player of the week

ROBERT CULLEN of George Cross is the State League Player of the Week. He wins a dinner for two at Nickleby's of Carlton.

Segi, Carr sent off

swerving blockbuster which Billy Whiteside, unsighted, only just managed to tip around the post.

Substitute Gerry Tribuzio weaved his way into space and Whiteside did well to block his shot. Ian McCarthy following up, shot towards the net only to see it cleared by a defender.

Hakoah's best effort in the second half was a magnificent French shot from the right wing which Denys managed to tip over the bar.

David Perkins had another shot turned for a corner as time started to run out, and before the end Tribuzio was bundled down while going up for a header and, as a result, did not connect properly.

The two sending offs were the main talking point after the match. Segi earned his marching orders for a blatant foul on Miele only minutes after the latter had replaced the injured Chris Valli.

Carr followed Segi 10 minutes later after exchanging words with the linesman. It was a harsh decision by the referee and highlighted the lack of uniformity existing in Victorian soccer.

While the referees are ready to tolerate swearing between players, talking back to a referee (or linesman as the case may be) is considered an offence to be punished by a red card.

—PETER DESIRA

Albion boss fuming

SUNSHINE 2 (D. Nelson 2) ALBION 1 (McIntyre).

SUNSHINE: Scholten, Olney, Lewis, Ellis, Howe, R. Nelson, Bangan, Misset, Cook (Lainig), Pocock (Parkin), D. Nelson.

LELAND: Oliver, Daperis, McCusky, Blair, McCormack, D'Syva, Davidson, Grechan, Maitao, McIntyre, Quinn.

Albion Leyland is most unhappy about the State League Board of Management's decision to play the club's postponed game against Slavia at Olympic Park tonight (Wednesday).

Leyland president Russ Wilson says the club will lose a lot of money by playing its 'home' game away.

Our club relies on revenue made through gate receipts, the canteen and the social club on match days," said Wilson. "We wanted to play the game at our home ground, Selwyn Park, but the league ordered us to play tonight."

We have to pay the players but after the lights and the gatekeepers are paid, our cut of 50% of the taking will be pretty low. How many soccer fans are going to turn up on a Wednesday night in the middle of winter?

Albion must get at least a point from tonight's clash. If it loses, it will be level on points with Altona, and will have played as many games as the bottom-placed club.

Sunshine came out top in the league derby," said Wilson. "The grounds of the two clubs are only half mile apart."

Dave Nelson scored both Sunshine's goals and was always dangerous on the wing. His brother Rob won many balls in the midfield and was backed up well by the consistent Nick Lowe.

Sunshine went in at the interval a goal up after having most of the play in the opening 45 minutes. Albion struggled until Bill McCormack, a makeshift left back, was switched to the forward line.

Albion equalised with a good goal from Billy McIntyre. Mike Dyer messed up a free kick, and Albion gained possession and broke quickly down the right. An early ball was played inside to McIntyre, who whacked in an unstoppable shot from 25 metres.

However, Sunshine continued to have the edge, and Dave Nelson got the winner from the latter half after Noel Mitten had bowed him over in the area. It was the fourth penalty conceded by the luckless Albion in as many games.

Kelly to Altona

FRANKSTON 2 (Eadie, Dall) ALTONA 0.

FRANKSTON: Burgess, Parrot, Irvine, Adams, Gillespie, Fox, G. Bannan (Campbell), V. Bannan, Dall, Eadie, MacGregor.

ALTONA: van der Poel, Lewis, Gramsbergen, Kelly, Plessa, Davidson, Walters, Brown, Gamble (Train 70th min.), Taylor (Bangan 75th min.), Ackers.

Altona, which slumped to bottom position after its 0-2 loss to a re-shuffled Frankston, has signed Kevin Kelly from George Cross on a free transfer.

Kelly made his debut for Altona against Frankston, but couldn't halt the run of bad luck which has left Altona in a desperate position.

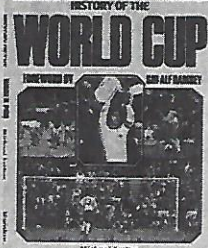
Frankston coach Brian Edgely reacted strongly after his team's 0-5 defeat at Croatia last week and dropped three players — Keith Webster, Alec Tulloch and Frank Peterson. They were replaced by youngsters Mark Dall and goalkeeper Nick Burgess, and the experienced Tommy Fox, who returned after injury.

Another move of Edgely's was to switch Alan Parrot to full back and push Vince Bannan into midfield.

However, despite the scoring, Frankston is in a bit of a hole, and with a few peaks, Altona could have snatched a draw.

Bob Taylor had a nightmare day for Altona, missing three clear-cut chances.

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JUNIOR STANDINGS

VICTORIA Junior Cup

Third round results:

UNDER 9: Castfield v Baxter 4-3, Doncaster 'A' v Brighton 3-1, Clayton v Melbourne 3-0, Karigal v Moorabark 'B' 0-1, F. Gully v Doncaster 'A' 2-1, Doncaster v Sunshine Hills 0-4, Ringwood v Knox City p/p, Box Hill 'A' v Moorabark 'A' 0-1.

UNDER 10: Moorabark 'A' v Melbourne 5-0, Brighton v Springvale 1-2, Fawkner v Waverley p/p, Box Hill 'B' v F. Pines 2-0, Murrumbidgee v Sunshine Hills 1-3, Castfield v Karigal 2-1, Doncaster v Essendon 'A' 0-1, Knox City 'A' v Croydon 'A' 3-4.

UNDER 11: Knox City v Juventus 0-3, Green Gully v Boroona 1-4, Castfield v Doncaster 0-3, Knox City 'B' v West Newport 1-2, Fawkner v Peninsula 'A' 3-0, U/P 'A' v Clayton 'A' 1-1, Murrumbidgee v Murrumbidgee 1-1, Murrumbidgee v Murrumbidgee 1-1, Murrumbidgee v Murrumbidgee 1-1.

UNDER 12: Knox City 'A' v Doncaster 'A' 2-1, Peninsula v West Newport 1-0, Murrumbidgee v Castfield 0-4, Ringwood v Knox City 3-7, Knox City 'A' v Ringwood 4-0.

UNDER 13: Lyndale v Albion 'A' 0-1, Fawkner v Kellie 3-0, U/P 'A' v Box Hill 'A' 7-8, p/p, Murrumbidgee v Doncaster City 5-0, Essendon v Essendon City 4-0, F. Pines v Castfield 3-7, Knox City 'A' v Ringwood 4-0.

UNDER 14: Clayton v Waverley 1-5, Kellie v Green Gully 2-0, Colony v Ringwood City 4-1, Hakeah v Richmond 2-0, Star Sport v Murrumbidgee 3-2, Collingwood City v Sunshine City 3-7, Knox City 'A' v Fitzroy 1-1, Knox City v Kewborough 3-0.

UNDER 15: St. Melbourne v Green Gully 0-0, Fawkner v Green Gully p/p, Doncaster City v Springvale 0-1, Nth. Reservoir v Waverley 'A' 1-3, Albion v Moorabark 'A' 1-3, Doncaster v Clayton 2-1, Hamlyn Rangers v Karigal 1-0, Kellie v Baxter 0-0.

UNDER 16: Fawkner v Knox City p/p, F. Pines v Melbourne 2-3, Albion v Albion 1-2, Box Hill v Croydon 5-0, Broadmeads v Star Sport 1-4, Preston v Fitzroy 0-1, St. Melbourne v Juventus 0-4, Footscray v Prahran 6-3.

*Under protest.

Next round to be played Saturday, July 15.

STATE LEAGUE COLTS

UNDER 14	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Preston	6	5	1	0	20	7	11
Hakeah	8	5	0	1	31	3	10
Green Gully	7	4	2	2	22	8	10
Prahran	7	3	2	1	18	13	8
Jewett	8	3	1	4	15	7	8
Sunshine City	6	3	0	3	19	11	6
Albion	6	2	0	4	16	4	6
Ringwood	6	1	0	5	10	27	2
George X	6	0	0	6	4	42	0

UNDER 16	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Jewett	7	6	0	1	35	7	12
Essendon	7	6	0	1	14	9	12
Prahran	8	4	1	3	15	15	8
Green Gully	7	3	2	2	18	13	8
Preston	6	4	0	2	20	19	8
Frankston City	7	3	1	3	20	10	7
Albion	7	3	1	3	15	14	7
Hakeah	6	2	1	3	15	14	5
George X	7	1	0	6	10	30	2
Sun. City	8	0	0	8	9	56	0

UNDER 18	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Waverley	7	6	0	1	27	5	12
Ess. City	7	5	1	1	35	9	11
Balcombe	7	4	1	2	22	19	9

LATROBE VALLEY

UNDER 8 EAST ZONE

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Rangers	8	6	2	0	14	4
Falcons	7	6	1	1	12	7
Ferris	8	5	2	1	12	7
Portsea	7	5	1	1	11	7
Traralgon East	7	2	1	4	5	7
St. Thomas	6	2	0	4	4	6
Sale Eagles	7	0	0	7	0	7
Sale Swans	8	0	0	8	0	8

Rangers	8	6	2	0	1
Falcons	7	6	0	1	1
Fortuna	8	5	2	1	1
Pegasus	7	5	1	1	1
Traralgon East	7	2	1	4	
St Thomas	6	2	0	4	
Sale Eagles	7	0	0	7	
Sale Swans	8	0	0	8	

UNDER 8 WEST ZONE				
	P	W	D	L
Newborough	8	6	2	0
Moe	7	5	1	1

Moe	7	5	1	1
Charrill	7	5	1	1
Warragul	7	5	0	2
Yallourn	8	3	0	5
Leongatha	8	2	0	6
Monash	7	2	0	5
Drouin	8	0	0	8

UNDER 9					
	P	W	D	L	
Pegasus	6	5	2	0	1
Warragul	7	4	1	2	
Churchill	7	3	2	2	
St Thomas	8	4	0	4	
Colac	6	1	1	1	

Sale	6	1	1	4
Moe	7	1	0	6

UNDER 10
EAST ZONE

	P	W	D	L
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Fortuna	7	5	2	0	1
Falcons	7	5	2	0	1
Pegasus	7	3	3	1	1
Bairnsdale	7	3	1	3	1
Traralgon	8	3	1	4	1
Sale Eagles	7	3	1	3	1
Ranera	8	1	0	7	1

Traralgon East	7	1	0	6
UNDER 10 WEST ZONE				
	P	W	D	L
Monash	8	7	0	1

Churchill	7	7	0	0	1
Moe	9	3	3	3	
Yallourn	9	4	1	4	
Warragul	7	3	1	3	
Leongatha	8	2	1	5	
Newborough	8	2	0	6	
Basin	8	1	0	7	

UNDER 12 EAST ZONE					
	P	W	D	L	F
Pegasus	8	7	0	1	14

Sale Eagles	8	7	0	1	14
Bairnsdale	8	6	0	2	12
Falcons	6	5	0	1	10
Traralgon	8	3	0	5	6
Yallourn Emus	9	3	0	6	6
Rangers	9	2	1	6	5
Sale Swans	7	1	1	5	3

Traralgon East	7	0	0	7	0
UNDER 12					
WEST ZONE					
	P	W	D	L	F
Yallourn	0	0	0	1	14

Falcon Hawks	9	7	0	2	14	4
Moe	9	7	0	2	14	4
Newborough	9	5	1	3	11	6
Monash	9	5	0	4	10	7
Churchill	9	3	1	5	7	7
Warragul	8	3	0	5	5	8

Leongatha	9	1	0	8	2
Drouin	9	0	0	9	1

UNDER 14

	P	W	D	L	F
Salz	9	9	0	0	1

Falcons	10	8	0	2	1
Monash	8	7	1	0	1

UNDER 18 WEST ZONE	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Menash	8	7	0	1	14	4	
Charrill	7	7	0	0	14	4	
Moe	9	3	3	3	9	9	
Yallourn	9	4	1	4	9	9	
Warragul	7	3	1	3	7	7	
Leongatha	8	2	1	5	5	8	
Newborough	8	2	0	6	4	8	
Drouin	8	1	0	7	2	8	

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Ladders as of June 11:

Warragul	10	2	1	7	5
Rangers	9	2	1	6	5
Drouin	9	2	0	7	4
Fortuna	9	0	2	7	2
Leongatha	7	0	1	6	1

Bearzot: 'Dutch are violent,' Schoen: 'We're good!'

BUENOS AIRES, — The bitterness of defeat was all too evident in statements made by managers of World Cup teams that fell at the final hurdle.

Italian manager Enzo Bearzot accused Holland of systematic violence. West Germany's Helmut Schoen said none of his team of defending champions was up to World Cup standards and Brazil's Claudio Coutinho accused Peru of perpetrating a "betrayal of football."

Brazil, Italy and West Germany had won seven of the previous 10 World Cups.

As the players packed their bags and headed for home, their managers delivered their verdicts on the dramatic events which sent them out of the competition.

Bearzot did not mince his words when he spoke to reporters in a gloomy Italian camp at Don Torcuato, outside Buenos Aires.

He said Italy had to submit to unacceptable aggression in the first half of the match against Holland and charged that after half time the Dutch "embarked on a 'direct' manhunt — this was a direct physical assault."

Bearzot was particularly critical of Spanish referee Angel Martinez. "There was a certain permissiveness by the referee in the first half and the Dutch realised they could do anything," Bearzot said.

Bearzot said it was because he feared that Dutch aggression would increase in the second half that he had taken off the gifted Franco Causio, who had tormented the Dutch defence in the first half.

For Helmut Schoen, West Germany's failure to reach the last four marked a sad end to his 14 years as manager.

At the team's headquarters at Ascochinga, outside Cordoba, Schoen said, "None of the squad was up to World Cup standard. It would have been a miracle if we had made it to the last four. The boys were not good. They did not stick to my instructions."

Team captain Bert Vogt, hailed as a superstar when he shackled Johan Cruyff in the 1974



Enzo Bearzot

final, was even more outspoken. "We all played rubbish. We realised the others are better than us. The fact that we lost shows only that there is some justice in football."

West Germany were beaten 3-2 by Austria — their first defeat by the Austrians for 47 years.

West Germany's showing was their poorest in the tournament since Schoen took over the side from his former boss Sepp Herberger 14 years ago.

During the time Schoen, a soft-spoken Saxon, made West Germany Europe's most consistent team and, overall, the most successful in the world.

World Cup runners-up in 1966, semi-finalists in 1970 and champions in 1974, European champions in 1972 — Schoen, the patient tactical master with a doleful expression, was behind them all.



Helmut Schoen, in Latin gear, answers questions from the team bus.

Masson fined \$1300

LONDON, — Scottish international, Don Masson, has been fined two weeks wages, about 1300 Australian dollars by his English club Derby County for remarks made in two newspaper articles.

The midfielder player had a 20-minute meeting with Derby

manager Tommy Docherty and was told he was being suspended without pay for two weeks, the maximum punishment permitted under FA rules.

Docherty said that Masson was still bound by the club's contract of service even while

abroad on international duty, adding some of the things which had appeared in his newspaper article were "a sheer disgrace from a professional."

Masson's articles concerned Scotland's problems leading up to and including their exit from the World Cup in Argentina.

Masson is already on the transfer list and was recently fined a week's wages and docked some bonus money, a total of about 800 Australian dollars, for failing to report to a pre-match meal before the last game of the English season.

Yugoslavenska scena

PLANSKI ZAPOSTAVLJENI

Jutros u 4 sata (ponedjeljak, 26. juna po našem vremenu) svet je učestvovao u jednom jedinstvenom referendumu.

Koji sport je najpopularniji na svetu? Nije bilo uobičajne "predizborne kampanje", niko nije placao oglase u sredstvima za obavestavanje, referendum nije bio obaveza.

Pa ipak, prema konzervativnoj proceni, oko hiljadu miliona ljudi gledalo je završnicu Mundiala u Argentini, sto bi na jeziku statističara znalo oko 20 odsto ili jedna petina celokupnog svetskog stanovništva.

Kad se uzmu u obzir izvesne cinjenice kao na primer da utakmicu izmedju Argentine i Holandije nisu gledala deca ispod 14 godina, vecina zena, ljudi u krajevima gde televizija jos nije doprla, i ljudi koje nogomet ne interesuje — završnica je gledao ceo svet.

Australija je takode preživela napad nogometne groznice, iako mozd u nesto blaziji formi. Ako niko drugi, gor useljenika otisao je u ponedjeljak na posao — neispavan.

Australijska stampa, medjutim, neuzbudjeno zanemaruje sve statističke podatke i ne skida "blinkere" sa oclju.

S vremena na vreme, kao na primer kad Australija krahira na pripremama za svetsko prvenstvo, ili napravi pogresan izbor trenera drzavnog tima, duhovni se pobune za trenutak i vrate se natrag u stanje koje po svemu lici na — prorcunatu indiferenciju.

Nogomet se planski izostavlja iz vesti.

Prelistavo sam jutros nase jutranje novine trageci uzaludno istetajne izvestaje sa nedeljnih nogometnih utakmica i dosao sam do svojih sopstvenih statistickih zaljucka.

Jedan — najcitaniji — dnevi list, posvetio je sportu 12 strana. Svaka strana ovog lista ima sedam stubaca. Sportu je, dakle, posveceno 84 stupca.

Ali nogometu je posveceno — i recima — JEDAN JEDINI stubac. Statisticki govoreci — 0,012 odsto prostora.

I to u ponedjeljak, jedan jedini dan kad nogomet zasluzuje i taj jedan stubac.

Australija je zemlja sporta i sportista. Njeni teniseri godinama su vladali svetom.

Plivaci takode luku svetske rekorde iz godine u godinu.

Lakotieticari nikad nisu daleko od zlatnih medalja na svetskim takmicenja.

Svi ti sportove zauzimaju zasluzeno mesto u nasim dnevnim listovima.

Ali nogomet ostaje vecita Pepeluga.

Negde na kraju portogorskog lista, sedmi deo jedne stranice ili 84. deo svih sportskih izvestaja otpada na sedam utakmica Nacionalne lige, drzavne lige, nizih liga, amaterske lige itd.

Negde u zapecku, u pet-est nezakazanih recenica, opisan je ogroman napor organizatora Nacionalne lige da, uprkos bojkota i planskog zanemarivanja, stave Australiju na svetsku nogometnu mapu.

Ako Australija i kroz dve godine opet propusti priliku da se urvsti u red 16 najboljih nogometnih zemalja sveta, krivicu ne smemo pripisati rdjavom izboru trenera ili nedostatku entuzijazma kod nasih igrača.

Krivi ce opet biti nasi dnevni listovi koji nase nogometne stavljaju na kraj duge zasluzne zastupnika sporta u Australiji, posle konja, pisa, lopkane vrste fudbala koji prati ogromna masa navijaca od nista manje nego tri miliona Viktorijanaca, pa kud puklo da puklo.

ALEX NIKOLIC

Schoen, his tall frame now stooped, said early in the tournament: "It's time to stop in this job. I want to get away from the publicity. I would now like to be a good husband for my wife."

He had no illusions about the immensity of West Germany's task in Argentina, of continuing to deliver success to a nation for whom anything less than victory can be regarded as abject failure.

"It would be wonderful to take the cup home to Germany again, but I don't believe we can reach the final this year," he had said. "There are very good teams in this World Cup, and our team is not as good as in 1974."

It was the shortcomings of the present side rather than the merits of the opposition which proved West Germany's downfall.

When the dream of retaining the cup was finally shattered Schoen, always a realist, said injuries to two first choice midfield players had contributed to the failure but lack of replacements had been a more important factor.

"In 1974 we could have brought in replacements as good or even better than those who dropped out," he said. "We just don't have enough good players here."

Jupp Derwall, his assistant for so long, will be Germany's new national coach.

Brazil complained bitterly about Peru's collapse against Argentina, who won 6-0 to overhaul Brazil in the Group B standings. Coutinho said the Peruvian performance was a "betrayal to football. They lost more than a game, they lost their football prestige."

When the Peruvian team arrived here from Rosario on their way home, thousands of Argentine fans gathered outside their hotel shouting "thank you Peru."

A bomb explosion in Buenos Aires added to the night's excitement. The bomb, which severely damaged the home of treasury secretary Juan Alemann, exploded shortly after Argentina scored their fourth goal against Peru. It was not known who was responsible.



Sepp Maier breaks two Cup records

From ZIKA NIKOLIC in Buenos Aires

West Germany's goalkeeper, Sepp Maier, broke two World Cup appearances and the longest time for keeping a goal intact.

The match against Italy was his 17th in the World Cup, beating the record of Mexican goalkeeper, Antonio Carbajal, who took part in four World Cups.

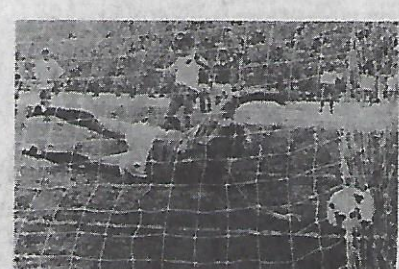
Maier, who is only taking part in his third World Cup, had not had a goal scored against him in 449 minutes — since the minute of the 1974 final against Holland.

This beat the record of England's Gordon Banks who kept his goal intact for 438 minutes during the 1966 World Cup finals. Maier has played 85 times for this national team (since May 1966) and while accumulating over 400 appearances (including League games) he has only missed three games.

bonus for the players' efforts in reaching the second round.

Although the number of goals scored during the first stage (60 in 24 games) was equal to the lowest World Cup average of 2.5 per game set in 1974, there was not much of the so-called defensive soccer.

There were too many weak defenses for that, but there were also no prolific scorers, forgetting penalties (leading scorer Cubillas netted two and Rensenbrink three from the penalty spot).



World Cup goal No. 1000 — Holland's Rob Rensenbrink beats Scottish goalkeeper Alan Rough from the penalty spot.

at 25,200 pesos went for 200,000 pesos.

On June 7, 1974, almost at the end of the final match of the tenth world football championship played between West Germany and Holland, Gerd Muller, with a penalty kick, closed one of the chapters in the history of world championship goals started by Bertie McGhee.

Four years later, precisely on June 2, 1978, Bernard Lacombe started a new chapter in the chronology of goal scorers.

It was shortly before the expected thousands goal, which came nine days later, scored by Rob Rensenbrink, with a penalty kick against Scotland in one of the matches of the last series of the first round of the 1978 finals.

Rensenbrink, born on July 3, 1947 in Holland, belongs to the Belgian Anderlecht Club and was one of the revelations of the 1974 World Cup in the team of the runners-up. Since that first goal scored by McGhee, the outside left of the United States national team on July 13, 1930 at the field of the Club Nacional in Montevideo, Uruguay (United States 3, Belgium 0), until the present one, there were many that merited comments in the press.

Here are some of them:

- Goal 1 — McGhee (United States), 1930.
- Goal 100 — Jonasson (Sweden), 1934.
- Goal 200 — Wallerstrom (Sweden), 1938.
- Goal 300 — Chico (Brazil), 1950.
- Goal 400 — Letfer (Turkey), 1954.
- Goal 500 — Rahn (Germany), 1958.
- Goal 600 — Jerkovic (Yugoslavia), 1962.
- Goal 700 — Charlton (United Kingdom), 1966.
- Goal 800 — Jairzinho (Brazil), 1970.
- Goal 900 — Yazalde (Argentina), 1974.
- Goal 1000 — Rensenbrink (Netherlands), 1978.

Peru's star Teofilo Cubillas, said before match against Brazil that he prefers playing against European teams, because he finds it easier to fool them with dribbling.

Before leaving Argentina, Swedish coach George Eriksson said that South American football was as good as the European. Despite Sweden's failure to qualify, he believes that his team is among the best five in the world.

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Sepp Maier (right) with Italy's goalkeeper Dino Zoff.

Videla cautions political victory

BUENOS AIRES, — The associates from Argentina's military government, run by an army general who isn't much of a soccer fan, has claimed its own victory in the World Cup.

By RICHARD BOUDREAUX of the Associated Press.

celebrated in the streets all night after their team's matches.

"Only in Argentina," wrote British journalist Ian Woollridge, "can you take your ancient suit or gorgeously dressed girlfriend to the stadium without any hassle — something no longer certain in England because of soccer violence there."

Videla, a 52-year-old career military officer who rarely watched soccer until this month, told reporters after attending the matches that he was more interested in the Argentine crowds.

"Their behaviour is the true face of Argentina. We are a winner, a winner in every sense," he said.

Two years ago, when the leftist guerrillas roamed the land and Isabel Peron was president, a World Cup tournament here looked impossible. But the armed forces seized power, convinced the International Soccer Federation to keep the event here and wiped out most of the guerrillas.

Harsh anti-terrorist measures, however, cost Argentina economic aid from the United States and prompted a boycott campaign by European leftist against the World Cup.

The regime, accusing exiled terrorists of orchestrating an anti-

senational elements of the criticism in the government-guided press under outraged headlines such as: "Look how they see us abroad."

As World Cup time neared, government television advertisements depicted exemplary behaviour for righting the national image. Taxi drivers were ordered to wear ties and admonished not to cheat tourists. Argentinians were urged to help foreigners translate restaurant menus.

"What will they say about us abroad now? A beaming Argentine housewife asked a reporter after the television showed a crowd of 77,000 spectators warmly ap-

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Forwards working harder than ever

The incredibly high work rate of the forwards has been the revelation of the World Cup.

This work rate was the main reason that teams were able to score a large number of goals when they had to.

Germany, Holland and Italy may have appeared defensive in some games — but when they needed goals, they went out and got them.

Holland, for example, beat Austria 5-1 in the second round. Germany thrashed Mexico 6-0 when goals were important in the first round, and then came Argentina's incredible 6-0 win against Peru — a win which put the home team into the final.

Holland's and Argentina's high-scoring games were quite remarkable, as there were no parallels in the second round in West Germany four years ago.

Second-round results in Germany included Germany v Yugoslavia 2-0, Poland v Yugoslavia 2-0, Germany v Poland 1-0, East Germany v West Germany 1-0 — all of them small winning margins.

Now, four years later, we see that teams have become much more adept at scoring goals when they need to.

And, like I said, the forwards have increased their work rate to an extraordinary extent.

This has helped them score goals and has also proved a big plus in the performance of their team as a whole.

Four years ago doctors marvelled at the work-rate of Brazilian **Direu** who was able to run four kilometres in 12 minutes. Now many other players can match **Direu's** efforts and even improve on them. What's more they are faster than their counterparts of 1974.

Causio, **Bettega**, **Rossi** of Italy, **Kempes** and **Luque** of Argentina, all the Brazilian forwards, **Robbie Rosenbrink** and indeed the entire Dutch team, have incredible work-rates.

They participate all over the park, to the extent of coming right

back into defence, the way **Rosenbrink** did so often against Italy. Yet they remain equally effective up front and they score the goals when they get an opening.

During my visit to Europe last year, I saw Italy qualify for the World Cup finals by beating Luxembourg 3-0.

After the game Italian coach **Enzo Bearzt** said "We are on the way up, but we are only half as good as the Dutch team."

Yet in that deciding game against Holland last week, Italy could have led 3-0 at half time with a little luck.

It shows how much Italy has improved even in those few months since the match against Luxembourg.

No-one except **Bearzt** himself knows why he settled for second best by replacing **Causio** at half time of the match against Holland. Maybe **Causio** was injured — who knows?

The fact remains that the replacement of **Causio** proved disastrous for Italy.

Nevertheless, my compliments to Italy for what was quite a remarkable performance in the Cup overall.

Before the finals, I predicted in "Soccer Action" that Holland, West Germany, Argentina and Brazil would be the last four.

Only West Germany let me down.

Brazil did not lose a single game, yet failed to get into the final. Now the Brazilian authorities will probably sack coach **Claudio Coutinho** despite his incredible record. With Coutinho as coach, Brazil has lost only one of almost 50 matches.

What did we really achieve in fielding three teams against each other in the three-match series?

It's all very well giving half the country a run for Australia — but doesn't that lower the standing of such matches?

Surely we are capable of picking the 16 or 20 players who are really good enough to represent Australia instead of giving a run to 35 of them.

John Karaspyros, who is not even a regular with Marickville Olympic, was brought into the national side in Sydney, and **George Christopoulos**, who had only just broken into the South Melbourne Hellas team, was used in Melbourne.



Dirceu of Brazil

Is this plain stupidity or lack of knowledge?

If inexperienced players like these — and I mean them no disrespect — can play for Australia, what incentive is there for the men who have played top football for four or more years?

Branko Buljevic (Alexander) was not included in any of the squads although he is still probably the finest forward in Australia. **Larry Gaffney** of Brisbane City wasn't there despite his good form this year, and neither were **Kevin Mullian** (Hakoah), **Andrew Bozakis** (Alexander) or **Jim Kondarides** (J.U.S.T.). Surely these men deserved to be used if **Karaspyros** and **Christopoulos** were good enough.

Philips League chairman **Sam Pappas** suggested some time ago that the PSL competition have a mid-season break, during which international matches should be played.

I have supported that idea all along, and I mean them no disrespect.

I think it is a must and I hope the league, the ASF and the State Federations go along with it.

The break would probably have to be longer than two weeks, to allow not only the national and State teams to play their games, but also any clubs which are able to arrange to bring opponents here, or to fly overseas for games.

If we had such a break, we would overcome the conflict of interests between club and representative teams.

And yet they have survived three cup rounds, with results like 8-0, 2-0, and 2-1.

Their coach **Hank Nieuwenhuizen**, is naturally pleased with his team reaching the last eight, and delighted that it is the only one of Gully's club teams including the seniors to survive all cup contests so far.

May it be suggested that he be nominated as sportsman of the week on behalf of his little battling warriors?

Well, I'll drink to that. Well done boys. You are obviously a credit to your coach. Keep it up and good luck!

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PETER GEORGIOU
of the
'Hellenic Herald'

ΜΟΥΝΤΙΑΛ ΚΑΙ... ΑΛΛΑ!

Τό Παγκόσμιο Κύπελλο '78' άντικει πλέον στο παρελθόν. Θά μείνει όμως για πολύ καιρό στην μνήμη των φιλάθλων, ιδιαίτερα των Άργεντινών που με περηφάνεια και συγκίνηση είδαν τον άρχηγό της Έθνικς όμάδος της χώρας τους να σκακίζει στα χέρια του το πολύτιμο έπαθλο της Παγκόσμιας αναγνώρισης ότι η Άργεντινή είναι η νέα πρωταθλήτρια κόσμου για τό έπόμενα τέσσερα χρόνια.

Γιά τους Άργεντινούς η κατάκτηση του Παγκοσμίου Κυπέλλου ήταν μια έθνικ νίκη, τόσο που η έπόμενη μέρα καθιερώθηκε έθνικ έορτή!

Στην Άργεντινή το ποδόσφαιρο είναι θρησκεία και η αναγνώριση του σε παγκόσμια κλίμακα είναι τώρα τεράστια. Τόση που οι δικτάτορες που την κυβερνούν τρέχουν με ικανοποίηση τα χέρια τους σκαπόμενοι ίσως ότι το ένδιαφέρον τό κόσμου θα στραφεί στην ποδοσφαιρική Άργεντινή και όχι στην πολιτική μετά την κατάκτηση του παγκοσμίου κυπέλλου.

Έκατομύρια κόσμου παρακολούθησαν τον άγωνα που μεταδόθηκε και εβδόμην από τό στάδιο Ρίβερ Πλέιτ του Μπουένος Άϊρες σε εκατομύρια σαλόνια καφελαίας έσπαστο, παρά και άλλους δημόσιους χώρους συγκεντρώσεως. Πιο ηρωικοί θα λέγαμε ότι ήταν οι φιλάθλοι της Αυστραλίας που ξενύκτισαν για να δούν τον τελικό την Δευτέρα τό πρωί.

Η Άργεντινή θάλεποντας τό Μουντιάλ από ποδοσφαιρικής πλευράς, πήρε δίκαιο τό Κύπελλο από την Όλλανδία, η οποία για δεύτερη συνεχέια φορά έπαιξε στον τελικό χωρίς όμως να καταφέρει να άγγίξει τό πολυπόθητο έπαθλο. Πάλεψε για την νίκη ιδιαίτερα στην επανάληψη και τάγερσε να ίσοφαρίσει έληίζοντας σε μια επανάληψη του άγωνα την τρίτη (χάξ) αλλά στην παράταση λύγισε μπροστά στην άποσταστικότητα των Άργεντινών.

Τα μακροπρόθεσμα και η θεαματικότητα στους τραυματισμούς και στα έφους δέν έλεφαν και ήταν αποτέλεσμα του πολύ νωθρού ντέρου που άρχισε πριν άδύμ γίνει η σέντρα και μάλιστα για μια άντηκη, κατή την γνώμη μας άίτια, σκακική με τό δειμένο χέρι του παίκτη της Όλλανδίας δέν υπε Κέρκις για τό όποιο διαμαρτυρήθηκεν τότε θεατρινατικά οι άρχηγούς των Άργεντινών Πασορέλα με άποτέλεσμα να καθυστερήσει η έναρξη για 9' λεπτά. Δέν έλειψαν έπίσης και οι πολιτικές σαναφές και οι πάντες κοροσκαίλοι λόγιοι. Μετά την λήκη του άγωνα τό λόγος που έβλαψε κάποιος ήταν τόσος μεγάλος που οι παίκτες αναγκάστηκαν να μπειν στ' άποστήτρια και να περιμένουν για να τελειώσει.

Ακόμη και ο ίδιος ο Εντέλεα τον δαρέθηκε. Πόγας τον ένδοξαισμό και συγκίνησαν την νύκτην που μετά τη λήκη ήβελαν να πάρουν τό Κύπελλο στα χέρια τους και να κάνουν τον γύρο του θριάμβου και όχι να περιμένουν τρέμοντας ό-που τό κρίσιμη τελείωση ή έκρηξη της.

Σε σύγκριση με τό Κύπελλο τό '74ς ό ένδοξαίσιμος και τό μετέωρο τό '78ς ήταν άσύνκριτα μενολύτριο.

Ο φόβος για... εθνασυντριβή δέν ήταν τόσος όσος τό '74ς από Μόναχο όπου μια έβίσηση τρομοκρατών στην τελική μετά τους Όλυμπιακούς είχε θεωρηθεί πολύ πιθανή.

Ο τελικός όμως της Άργεντινής δέν είχε, άπ' ότι είδαμε στην τηλεόραση, την όργνηση του τελικού τό Μονάχου.

Παρ' όλα αυτά είχε την αλήτη ένός τελικού Παγκοσμίου Κυπέλλου που νομίζω ότι ικανοποίησε τις έκατοντάδες τών έκατομυρίων που την παρακολούθησαν.

Η αλήτη όμορφή ήταν, άν όα τόση όση η ήλικη, άσκετή για να κάνει τόση διαοργανωτική να τρέψουν τα χέρια τους και τους έπικειρηματίες να μετρών τα κέρδη της. Η άκρίβεια στα ένδοξαία, στα έ-παθώρια και γενικά όποια πατούσε τό πό-δι του ό τουρίστα ήταν, όπως μάς πληροφορήσαν συνάδελφοι, πέρα από κάθε λογική.

Τέτοιας εύκαιρίας όμως για καλές δουλειές δέν παρουσιάζονται κάθε μέρα και ίσως περάσουν πολλά άκόμη χρόνια μέχρις ότου ό άριεβός των έπισκεπτών της Άργεντινής φθάσει τό έπινεδα του Μουντιάλ '78ς.

Και με την Άργεντινή πρωταθλήτρια κόσμου συνεκρίσκει η παρόδοση, κατά την όπια ποτέ ευρωπαϊκή όμάδα δέν κέρδιζε τό Παγκόσμιο Κύπελλο σε διοργανώσεις που ένινε σε χώρα της Λατινικής Άμερικής.

Ύστερα από την νίκη επί της Όλλανδίας με 3-1, η Άργεντινή είναι η νέα όα-όισια του Παγκοσμίου Ποδόσφαιρου' να τό έπόμενα τέσσερα χρόνια και έξασπλη-τέ την θέση της στους 16 του έπόμενου Κυπέλλου 1982!

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Hot-trick heroes

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3. The team against which he scored the goals.

4. Date of game.
5. Send the diploma to "Soccer Action", 250 Spencer Street, Melbourne, Vic., and we will forward the certificate free of charge as an incentive to keep on scoring those goals!

The boys' names will also appear in our list of "Hat-Trick Heroes" published every week.

This week's hat-trick heroes:
Frank Timar, 17 (Polonia Adelaide), **David Mealla**, 8 (Berwick), **Paul Stavridis**, 8, **Nigel Haight**, 14 (Sunderland), **Joe Pizzo**, 16, six goals, **Frank Brogno**, 16, four goals (Essendon City), **Wally Spiller**, 14, **Paul Buxton** (Sunshine City), **Robert Chilikaki**, 11 (Mitcham), **Christian Biermann**, 8, **Roberto Claudio**, 10 (South Georgetown Primary School, Tas), **Paul Trimboli**, 9, five goals, **Scott McLean**, 8 (Brighton), **Ricky Gaele**, 13, **Philip Shelley**, 13, **Hugh Condon**, 11, **Joe Gault**, 11, five goals (Moe Utd), **Justin Ruddock**, 7, (Croydon), **Matthew Swain**, 7, **Andrew Pahlina**, 7, four goals, **Paul Howells**, 7, four goals (Nunawading), **George Kazamboukas**, 15 (Glandide), **Ralph Renison**, 12, **Michael Wright**, 12, **George Brown**, 12, five goals, **Nick Karonitis**, 12, **John McDonald**, 14, four goals (Lyndale), **Walter Brecciale**, 10 (Caulfield), **Jim Tsalkos**, 13, four goals, **Michael Malakonas**, 9 (Collingwood), **Simon Wright**, 10 (Howrah, Tas), **Graham Gladman**, 7, **Wayne Sandford**, 7, five goals, **Rodney Owen**, 8, five goals, **Andrew Burgess**, 10, **David Sandford**, 11 (Ballarat), **Craig Cartwright**, 10, **Piera Tselos**, 7, four goals, **Rodney Smith**, 7 (Lavington), **Nick Constantinidis**, 10, five goals (Donner Olympic, ACT).



A view from the junior ranks
BY LEIF JENSEN

The letter published this week, will be the last concerning Region squads or trials mainly because, on checking these letters, I find that most are now coming from parents whose little sons have missed out on selection for the region.

I even have my doubts about the letter we are printing today. Once again I suspect that this man's son is one of the ones who has "missed out". However we will print it for you to make up your mind about it.

The letter is from Mr. H. D. Broome and it goes like this: "With regard to the recent reports you have had published concerning the Region set-up I should like to make a small comment as to Soccer Action, June 4.

I fully endorse the letter of the above date but should also like to add one small point, being that whoever has the Region Squads in future should have no son playing in the age group.

I have been for three years now, fathers in charge of region teams putting their sons straight into the squad.

I do not blame the boys for being there, but this is not being fair to the team and I feel that this point should be considered in the choice for region coach or manager. I am sure that if this were done we would see boys who have ability taking the place of boys who are there because of a parent's involvement.

Lets have boys on their merits and not because of dad's own ego.

My answer to you, Mr. Broome, is, if you can show me one case where a good boy has missed out on selection because of a coach's son, I will don a baby's bonnet, stick a "kinky" and send him the steps of Soccer House sucking my

thumb for a week.

I only know the U13 regions intimately, and I can assure you that the sons of coaches who are playing in these regions are some of the best. If not the best boys in their team. As far as State teams are concerned the ruling is already laid down that a coach of a State squad cannot have a son playing in the same age group as the squad he is taking.

This is done not only to protect the coach but also his son so that if the boy is selective, nobody can say what you have stated in your letter.

To finish on a happier note, here now is a letter from Mr Fairburn of Ferntree Gully.

Ferntree Gully's U9 team won through in their section to the quarter final of the V.S.F. Junior Cup last Saturday. **Carl Sae** and **Cameron Asgharwan** scored one goal each last week in the team's 2-1 victory.

However, out of this little story comes a remarkable paradox. Gully's U9s have played eight league matches this season without notching one point, and are on the bottom of the nine-team league ladder, having scored four goals against 25!

State League v. PSL game soon

A State League v Philips League match will be played at Middle Park, Melbourne on July 5, at 8 pm to raise money for the Commonwealth Games fund.

The PSL squad comprises players from Melbourne's three PSL clubs — J.U.S.T., Hellas and Alexander.

Coach **Dave MacLaren** (Hellas) has picked the following squad:

Goalkeepers: **Dennis Boland** (J.U.S.T.), **Peter Blasey** (Alexander).

Defenders: **Arthur McMillan** (Alex), **Jim Tansey** (Alex), **Stuart Baxter** (Hellas), **Chris Kalafatis** (Hellas), **Jim Kondarides** (J.U.S.T.).

Midfielders: **Bertie Lutton**

(Hellas), **Sammy Wright** (Hellas), **Joe Picciano** (J.U.S.T.), **Ken Taylor** (Alex), **Jim Campbell** (Alex).

Forwards: **Mendo Ristovski** (J.U.S.T.), **Branko Buljevic** (Alex), **Gary Cole** (Alex).

The State League squad, chosen by **Duncan McKay** (GG-Ajax) is:

Goalkeepers: **Peter Laumets** (Makedonia), **Lou Denys** (Ajax).

Defenders: **Vince Bannon** (Frankston), **Stephen Short** (Slavia), **Jim Symington** (Juventus), **Steve Kokoska** (Croatia).

Midfielders: **Bertie Lutton** (Hellas), **Sammy Wright** (Hellas), **Joe Picciano** (J.U.S.T.), **Ken Taylor** (Alex), **Jim Campbell** (Alex).

Forwards: **Mick Watkins** (Juventus), **Ken Reed** (George Cross), **Tommy Cummings** (Croatia), **George McMillan** (Makedonia).

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ADELAIDE CITY

G.P.O. BOX 1262L, ADELAIDE, 5001

SECRETARY: Carmine Picorello (08) 337 0241

COACH: Les Sheinflug.

GROUND: Olympic Sports Field, Kensington.
(08) 31 1844

COLOURS: Black & White

This week's match: v. **MARCONI** at Olympic Sports Field (Adelaide) Sunday 3 pm.



BRISBANE LIONS

15 DELPHINUS ST., INALA, QLD. 4077

SECRETARY: Simon Boeqheim, (07) 372 2891

COACH: G. Vincze

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne.
(07) 52 5328

COLORS: All Orange with Blue Stripe.

SPONSOR: **Kentucky Fried Chicken**

This week's match: v. **WEST ADELAIDE** at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 2.30 pm.



BRISBANE CITY

P.O. Box 265 Broadway, Brisbane 4001

Club Phone 356 8834

SECRETARY: G. Canale bus (07) 52 4711

COACH: D. Ford.

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd, Mayne.

SPONSOR: **Alitalia** Airlines

This week's match: v. **SYDNEY CITY** at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra City 2600

SECRETARY: David Dillon 48 8917 (W)
54 1787 (L)

COACH: J. Warren.

GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce.

SPONSOR: **BRIAN POLLOCK Ford**

This week's match: v. **NEWCASTLE KB UNITED** at International Sports Centre (Newcastle) Saturday 2.30 pm.



EASTERN SUBURBS HAKOAH

61 HALL ST., BONDI, N.S.W.

SECRETARY: H. K. Lakmaker, 30 3344 (mornings)
663 4576 (afternoons)

COACH: Gerry Chaldi

GROUND: Wentworth Park, Glebe, N.S.W. Phone (02) 660 7431

SPONSOR: Presto Smallgoods

This week's match: v. **BRISBANE CITY** at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



FOOTSCRAY

P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: H. Iser bus (03) 391 3231

COACH: C. Cirkovic

GROUND: Olympic Park on Schintler Reserve

SPONSOR:



This week's match: v. **WESTERN SUBURBS** at Middle Park (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.

FITZROY UNITED

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066

SECRETARY: S. Karanikolopoulos (03) 41 3048

COACH: J. Margaritis.

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melbourne.
(03) 42 0642

COLOURS: Black & Gold

SPONSOR: Goldair Travel

Girls interested in entering the Miss Alexander Quest for 1978 should ring Mrs Polly Mazaras (560 4863), Mrs S. Mangos (480 1252).

This week's match: v. **SOUTH MELBOURNE** at Olympic Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.

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MARCONI

MARCONI ROAD, BOSSLEY PARK, N.S.W. 2176

SECRETARY: V. Morizzi, Bus. (02) 72 2433

COACH: R. Rasic

GROUND: Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd., Bossley Park

SPONSOR: Rosso Antico

This week's match: v. **ADELAIDE CITY** at Olympic Sports Field (Adelaide) Sunday 3 pm.



NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

4 NORTHWOOD ST., ADAMSTOWN HEIGHTS, N.S.W., 2289

SECRETARY: P. Trisley, Bus. (049) 24930 (049) 26 2433

COACH: A. Vest

GROUND: International Sports Centre, Turton Rd.,
New Lambton. Ph (049) 52 1224

SPONSOR: Tooth & Co., Brewers of KB Beer

This week's match: v. **CANBERRA CITY** at International Sports Centre (Newcastle) Saturday 2.30 pm.



ST. GEORGE

84 VICTORIAN AVENUE, MORTDALE, N.S.W.

SECRETARY: S. Boqnar, Bus. (02) 630 2744

COACH: J. Vlasits.

GROUND: Barton Park, Rockdale

COLOURS: White, Red & Green

This week's match: v. **SYDNEY OLYMPIC** at Barton Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



SOUTH MELBOURNE

P.O. BOX 64, ST. KILDA WEST, VIC., 3182

General Manager: Mike Whitewood.
(Bus.) 94 5048, 94 5462 (After Hours)
309 4079

MANAGER/COACH: D. McLaren

GROUND: Middle Park, Aughtie Drive,
Middle Park.

COLOURS: Blue and white.

This week's match: v. **FITZROY UNITED** at Olympic Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.



MISS S.M. HELLAS QUEST CONTESTANT 1978

NAME: Penny Votsaris

AGE: 16

PLACE OF BIRTH: Seras, Greece

OCCUPATION: Student, Form 5 John Gardiner High School

HOBBIES: Modern dancing, music, Greek dancing, cooking

For further enquiries ring Mrs Lucy Farmakia Tel. No. 429 2855 - 91 6791, or Mr Dennis Kalinikos 699 4547.

Miss Hellas quest judging December 8 at Southern Cross Hotel.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC

BOX A181

SYDNEY SOUTH, N.S.W., 2000

SECRETARY: N. Smilas, Bus. (02) 72 0661

COACH: G. Gibson

GROUND: Erskineville Oval, Mitchell Rd., Erskineville

SPONSOR: Patra Fruit Juices **opatra**

This week's match: v. **ST. GEORGE** at Barton Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 227 4311

COACH: J. Adam

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St., Hindmarsh

This week's match: v. **BRISBANE LIONS** at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 2.30 pm.



WESTERN SUBURBS

4 WILLIAM ST., FIVE DOCK, N.S.W., 2046

SECRETARY: G. Stratford, Bus. (02) 713 8672

COACH: M. Laing

GROUND: Englefield Stadium, Jenner Rd., Dural

COLOURS: Black & White

This week's match: v. **FOOTSCRAY** at Middle Park (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.

